

## B.C. MINING OUTPUT TO BE \$62,000,000

Industry, Says Provincial Mineralogist, Is Healthy and Should Reach Nine-Figure Mark Shortly

### OPENINGS FOR YOUNG ENGINEERS

Dividends Go Outside Province, Owing to Failure of British Columbians to Invest in Mining Ventures

"There is something in the open spaces that will compensate for what is lost in city life," said Mr. J. D. Galloway, provincial mineralogist, in making a plea with the members of the local branch of the Engineering Institute of Canada last evening to use their influence in trying to induce the youth of the country to identify themselves with this industry. This followed the statement by Mr. Galloway that he had many requests from mining companies for young men to act as junior engineers, and in other capacities where there were opportunities to rise, but there were practically none offering.

This advice was given in the course of a very interesting address by the mineralogist, Mr. Galloway reviewed the situation with respect to mining in the province as shown by the production of the past year, which, while it was not as productive of value owing to the lower prices of metals was nevertheless larger in tonnage than the year before. The value of the production of the industry this year promised to be a little over \$62,000,000 compared with some \$67,500,000 the year before.

**IN HEALTHY STATE**  
"The industry, however," said he, "is in a healthy condition, and I look forward to the province reaching a production of \$100,000,000 a year in the near future."

In advising the use of missionary effort on the part of the Institute to induce young men to enter the mining industry the speaker called attention to the fact that the present efficiency with respect to the industry in this province had been brought about largely by outsiders—those who had come from elsewhere to this province. He pointed out that the opportunity for the youth to enter the industry.

**LITTLE SUPPORT GIVEN**  
In this connection he said that there were many young men qualified as engineers in the mining industry. There were few who seemed to go in for this through the course offered by the University of British Columbia, and there was the example afforded of two or four young men a year taking advantage of the opportunity for the youth to enter the mining industry. It could be done through the avenue of an engineering training, and there were good chances for advancement in the industry. This was not the only way of entering. Young men could enter as laborers. In this capacity if they showed aptitude there was nothing to prevent their rising. There was no discrimination against brains, said the speaker.

**LESSONS FROM COAL MINE**  
In the coal mines the managers and superintendents were nearly all those who had come from the pick and the shovel. On a visit to Anyox Continued on Page 7



Thursday, Dec. 22  
35th Day, 1927

**THE WEATHER**  
Victoria and vicinity: Moderate to fresh east and south winds; milder, followed by rain.  
Sun Rises: 8:03 a.m.  
Sun Sets: 4:21 p.m.  
High Tide: 12:26 p.m., 9.4 feet.  
Low Tide: 8:46 p.m., 1.9 feet.

### Sport

Jake Schaefer wins 182 billiard championship from W. E. Kerr Cochrane.  
Over 100 thoroughbreds entered for Cofroth Handicap at Tijuana. Weights and odds announced.  
Two longshots come home at Tijuana. Today's programme. Victoria amateur puckers are all ready for battle with Vancouver Towers here tomorrow night.  
Major Goodsell wins toss for position in race with Bert Barry next Monday.

### The News

**Local and Provincial:**  
Brig-Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton will succeed Sir J. H. Ross as D.O.C. of Military District.  
British Columbia mining production will be about \$62,000,000 in current year.  
Coroner's jury brings in verdict of manslaughter against Raymond Roberts.  
Changes in the militia command. Dominion, Imperial and Foreign—Rain freezing on streets into ice creates exceptional conditions in London.  
Air pumped to submarine compartment to revive men if any alive.  
British match manufacturers in merger absorbing Eddy Company's business.  
Manitobans make important scientific discovery.

## Italy Goes on Gold Basis by Instant Decree

ROME, Dec. 21.—Conversion of Italy's currency to a gold basis at a ratio of nineteen lire to the dollar has been decided upon. Count Giuseppe Volpi, Minister of Finance, announced completion of negotiations before the council of ministers this evening.

The negotiations took place in London and were participated in by Benjamin Strong, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York; Donald Stringer, director-general of the Bank of Italy; Montagu Norman, governor of the Bank of England, and "a group of Anglo-American bankers."

The council, presided over by Premier Mussolini, decided that the decree putting Italian currency on a gold basis would be pushed to-night and immediately applicable. Under the decree one gold lira will be worth 3.60 paper lire.

## AIR LINE RUNS TO SUBMARINE

Calmer Weather Permits Divers to Work—Air Pumped Into Compartment Where Men Are

### VERY UNLIKELY ANY ARE LIVING

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Rear-Admiral Brumby, in charge of rescue work at the S-4 disaster, advised the Navy Department tonight that air was being pumped into the torpedo room of the submarine in which six were imprisoned. The admiral's message said that Divers Wilson and Elben had made an air hose connection with the listening device valve leading to the torpedo room, and that in his opinion, "there is no reasonable doubt that the men began going into the torpedo room about 10 o'clock."

### CHANGING AIR

As soon as the connection was made, the pressure in the torpedo room was pumped up to four pounds and the vented or slackened down, the message said, adding that the artificial breathing, pumping in fresh air and withdrawing the carbon dioxide thrown off from the lungs of the imprisoned men, would be continued.

While hope was admittedly slight that a spark of life might linger in the men trapped in the dark and airless hull since last Saturday afternoon, naval officers directing work strove to determine the condition of the victims, and save them if possible.  
As diver after diver went down to the work of attaching an air line to the carbon dioxide throw-off, Frank H. Brumby, directing the operations, said, "We are going as hard and as fast as we can. Things have not progressed to such an extent that we can make any determination as to results, however."

## POLICEMAN IS LAID TO REST

OVER 1000 PEOPLE PAY LAST RESPECTS TO LATE MR. ALBERT E. WELLS

Many Wreaths Sent by Public Bodies, Including Tribute From Lieutenant-Governor

More than one thousand people attended the funeral of the late Mr. Albert Ernest Wells, traffic officer of the City Police Force, who died last Monday as a result of injuries received while performing his duty. Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick and Rev. E. Moss officiated.  
The guard of honor lined up in front of the City Police Force, and after members of the city and district police had viewed the remains, shortly before 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, the procession headed by the fireman's band then proceeded to St. John's Church, the band playing the Dead March in "Saul" in response to the playing of the guard of honor. Next came the car in which were Mayor J. Carl Penney, Police Commissioner Walter E. Stansfield and A. M. Aitken and Commissioner-elect William White. Following this was the automobile containing the many floral tributes and next the hearse, which was also covered with flowers. Following the hearse was the car with the widow and relatives of Mr. Wells. The pallbearers marched behind the hearse, followed by friends of the deceased in cars.  
**THROUGHS LINE ROUTE**  
The route of the procession was lined with large throngs of people, as also was the area in front of St. John's Church.  
Long before the service started, St. John's Church was packed by friends, police, firemen, city and district officials and the general public.  
Mr. Jennings Burnett, the organist, played a prelude as the pallbearers carried the coffin up to the transept. Draped over it was the United Jack, and on top of this was the officer's cap. Hanging from the left side of the transept was the Canadian Ensign, and from the right the Union Jack.  
Following a prayer the congregation sang "Onward Christian Soldiers," after which Mr. Chadwick read the lesson. Mr. Moss then delivered an address in which he honored a man of whom he was highly and a fair-mindedness. He Continued on Page 4

## NEW HEAD OF MILITIA WILL COME IN MAY

Brig-Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton, Distinguished Artillery Officer, to Take Control of District No. 11

### GENERAL ROSS IS TRANSFERRED

Present Popular Head of District Will Go to Regina to Command Saskatchewan Military Area

OTTAWA, Dec. 21.—Colonel the Hon. J. L. Ralston, Minister of National Defence, has arranged to carry out a number of changes in connection with the commands of military districts, which will be made effective on May 1, 1928.

Brigadier-General J. M. Ross, now commanding District No. 11 at Victoria, B.C., is to be appointed district officer commanding Military District No. 12 at Regina, Sask. Brigadier-General Andrew George Laing McNaughton is to take over command of Military District No. 11. Brigadier-General McNaughton is a graduate of the Staff College and is completing a term at the Imperial Defence College, England. He received his first commission in the permanent active militia on May 1, 1920. He served in France with the artillery and held several senior appointments, including brigadier, counter battery staff officer for the Canadian Corps, and brigadier-general commanding the Canadian Corps heavy artillery.

Major-General J. H. Elmalev, now district officer commanding Military District No. 3 at Kingston, is to be appointed district officer commanding Military District No. 10 at Winnipeg.

Major-General H. D. B. Ketchen, at present district officer commanding Military District No. 10 at Winnipeg, is to be appointed district officer commanding Military District No. 3 at Kingston, N.S., to replace Commandant A. H. Powell, who will retire.  
Colonel Commandant W. W. P. Gilson, now commanding Military District No. 13 at Calgary, is to be appointed district officer commanding Military District No. 7 at Kingston. Brigadier-General O. D. Ormand, at present district officer commanding Military District No. 12 at Regina, is to take over command of Military District No. 13 at Calgary.

General Ross's term of office at Work Point expired last year, but he was asked to continue in the position as he was so well known here, and owing to the difficult political situation then prevailing changes in the high commands were delayed. General Ross being invited to remain for a time until the general rearrangement of posts, which is foreseen in the above announcement.  
Brigadier-General McNaughton possesses two decorations, C.M.G. and D.S.O. He is a married man with four children. He graduated B.Sc., M.Sc., and LL.D. at McGill University before going to the Royal Staff College at Camberley.

### MRS. LINDBERGH ENDS THIRD DAY'S FLIGHT

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Dec. 21.—Mrs. Evangeline L. Lindbergh arrived here by air at 5:02 o'clock this afternoon, to cross the international border tomorrow in her flight to Mexico City to spend Christmas with her famous son, Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh. The big tri-motored plane carrying Mrs. Lindbergh as a passenger, covered approximately 715 miles after taking off from Tulsa, Okla., this morning. It was the third day in the air for the mother of the "Lone Eagle" since she left Detroit. In entering the land which is feeding her son, Mrs. Lindbergh will fly down the coast to Tampico, the route taken by Colonel Lindbergh. Tampico, the Mexican capital, is a flight of several hours inland.

### WORK BEGINS UPON FLIN FLON RAILWAY

WINNIPEG, Dec. 21.—Fifty miles of the track from the Hudson Bay Railway to the Flin Flon mines will be laid this winter. H. A. Dixon, chief engineer of the C.N. Railways, announced today after an interview with H. M. Tomlinson and H. McLean, the contractors.  
Ties, rails, spikes, angle bars and other track material are being shipped and work has commenced on the clearing of the right of way. The objective for this season is Cranberry Portage. Contractors are preparing to build a warehouse at The Pas.

### GUNBOATS AFTER RIVER PIRATES

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The British Admiralty stated today that pirates have again become active on the Yangtze in the neighborhood of Shansi, in the province of Hupeh, resulting in quick retaliation by British gunboats.  
A pirate tug was captured but the crew escaped on land. A convoy of lighters also was attacked by pirates from the river bank, and the convoying gunboats replied with their full armament. There are four British vessels now on the pirate patrol.

## Some Leaders of New Land of Israel



THIS month, the people of Jerusalem and many other cities in Palestine have been celebrating the tenth anniversary of their liberation from Turkish tyranny by holding a great state service. This ceremony, at which Lord Plumer, British Governor of that ancient country, officiated, was conducted in English, Arabic, Hebrew, Greek and Armenian. Messages of good will were sent to King George and to Lord Allenby, who by his strategy and good generalship, was responsible for turning the Turks out of the Promised Land. Above the altar, where Lord Plumer, present Governor, and Colonel Lawrence, who gathered the Arabs under the British flag and led them against the Turks, and hostile tribes.

## MANSLAUGHTER JURY FINDING

Raymond Roberts Blamed for Accident Which Resulted in Death of Motorcycle Constable Wells

### TRIAL OF ACCUSED WILL BEGIN TODAY

Manslaughter was the verdict returned against Raymond Roberts, of New Westminster, by the coroner's jury at the inquest held at the McCall Funeral Parlors into the death of Motorcycle Constable Albert E. Wells, who succumbed on Monday, December 19, to injuries which he received on the morning of Saturday, December 17, when he was struck down by a motor car at the intersection of Quadra Street and Hillside Avenue.  
Roberts, who has already been charged with manslaughter, will be arraigned at the coroner's court this morning at 10 o'clock before Magistrate George Jay to face that court. Mr. Stuart Henderson, counsel for the accused, while City Prosecutor Claude I. Harrison will conduct the case for the prosecution.  
After nine witnesses had given testimony at yesterday's inquest, Coroner Dr. E. C. Hart said that Roberts could give evidence if he desired to, but he did not choose to. "We reserve our evidence," replied Mr. Henderson, counsel for Roberts.  
Coroner SUMS UP  
Dr. Hart then summed up the evidence and told the jury that no one was on trial, but that the inquest was an inquiry into the facts relating to the death of Constable Wells. He told the jury that the inquest was narrowed down to two, he said, accidental death or manslaughter. Continued on Page 2

## POPE PRAISES "VAST CANADA"

Red Hats Bestowed Upon Four of New Cardinals—Pope Replies to Thanks Given

ROME, Dec. 21.—Red hats bestowed by the Pope this afternoon upon four of the new cardinals recently created. They were Monsignor Raymond Rouleau, Archbishop of Quebec; Mr. Charles Joseph Binet, Archbishop of Besancon; Mr. Alessio Lepicier, titular Bishop of Tarsus, and Mr. Justinian Serroedy, Archbishop of Oran. Mr. Lepicier, voicing the thanks of the cardinals, gave the Pope of their filial devotion and their recognition of the grave burdens they were called on to assume together with their new dignity.  
The Pope replying, alluded to the fact that the new wearers of the purple were relatively young. Of Cardinal Rouleau, he recalled his work for education in his Diocese of Val-de-France, and commended him by exclaiming, "What a vast and magnificently Catholic country is Canada."

### MILLION IN BONDS FOUND IN MAIL CAR

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Bonds totaling \$1,000,000 in value and which had disappeared from a mail car which had been sidetracked for repairs. Officers thought the bonds were stolen and then tossed aside when the thief found they were not negotiable.

## Irish Free State President Not to Visit Canada

DUBLIN, Dec. 21.—President William T. Cosgrave, of the Irish Free State, will not visit Canada in connection with his proposed visit to the United States, James J. Walsh, Minister for Posts and Telegraphs in the Cosgrave Government, informs the Canadian Press that President Cosgrave regrets his inability to visit the Dominion because of the lack of time at his disposal.

### MUFTI FOR PRIVATES

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The ordinary British soldier can walk out in mufti now. The new officer or non-commissioned officer, so long as his record is clean, according to an announcement from the War Office.  
It is stated that the extension of this privilege to "Tommy" has been decided upon with a view to the continued improvement in the conduct of soldiers. Heretofore this privilege has not been extended to any soldier below the rank of sergeant.

## BRITISH MATCH MERGER FORMED

E. B. EDDY MATCH BUSINESS AND OTHER CANADIAN FACTORIES INCLUDED

Hon. R. B. Bennett's Property Apparently Sold to British North American Match Co.

OTTAWA, Dec. 21.—The match business of the E. B. Eddy Company, Limited, of Hull, Quebec, of which Hon. R. B. Bennett, Conservative leader, is a large stockholder, is to be taken over by a new company under the presidency of George W. Palon, of London, England, chairman and managing director of Bryant & May, British match manufacturers.  
This announcement was made today by George H. Millen, president of the E. B. Eddy Company.  
Mr. Palon, president of the new company, is chairman of the British Match Corporation, a company having a capital of approximately \$20,000,000, and whose operations extend to various parts of the British Empire.  
Mr. Millen's announcement says: "Eddy Match Company, Limited, has recently been incorporated and organized under the Company's Act, the charter having been granted last week from the office of the Secretary of State of Canada for the purpose of acquiring the match business of the E. B. Eddy Company, Limited, Hull, the Dominion Match Company, Limited, Deseronto, Ontario, the Canadian Match Company, Limited, Pembroke, Ontario, and the World Match Corporation, Limited, Berthierville, Quebec.  
"A. O. Woodruff, of the Canadian Match Company, Limited, will be the general manager of the new company."  
Mr. Millen's announcement adds: "The E. B. Eddy Company, Limited, has not disposed of any of its holdings in buildings or real estate, but pending the visit of Mr. Palon to Canada next year when the definite plans of the new company will be formulated, arrangements have been made with our company by which the new match company will continue to operate on the premises at Hull, which have so long carried on our match manufacturing business."  
"The new match company will make no public issue of securities."  
The Eddy Match Company is one of the properties of Hon. R. B. Bennett was incorrectly reported to have sold to United States capitalists.

## REEVE T. REID GIVEN ANSWER

Teachers' Federation Not Asking for Municipal Pension Scheme, But Government Scheme

### PLAN EVOLVED BY TEACHERS

Interviewed on his arrival in Victoria yesterday with regard to a letter dealing with superannuation for teachers, which has been sent to every municipality in British Columbia by Mr. T. Reid, president of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, Mr. Harry Charlesworth, secretary of the British Columbia Teachers' Federation, said: "It is not my intention to enter into a discussion of this matter at the present time, but, on behalf of the British Columbia Teachers' Federation, I feel that it would be well to point out that the whole of the president's letter is based upon a misapprehension, and deals with a situation which simply does not exist."  
"President Reid states in his opening paragraph, 'I notice from press reports that the school teachers of the province, through the Federation, have approached the Premier, the Hon. Dr. Maclean, with the request that the present Superannuation Act be enlarged, so as to compel the various municipal bodies of the province, when requested on petition from seventy-five per cent of the teachers employed by them, to put into effect a superannuation scheme on their behalf.'"  
"The federation has not asked for the application of the present Superannuation Act at all," Mr. Charlesworth stated, "for it has long since realized that this act is impracticable, and informed the Government at the time of its passing that it would never be accepted by any school board or municipality, a forecast which has proved correct."  
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### Mr. M. B. Cotsworth On Way To Coast

VANCOUVER, Dec. 21.—Moses B. Cotsworth, F.C.A., League of Nations expert on calendar reform, will arrive in Vancouver by G.P.R. Saturday morning to spend the holidays with his wife and daughter.

### ACT IMPRACTICABLE

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### JUGOSLAVIA TO HAVE ALL TAXES INDIRECT

BELOGRADE, Dec. 21.—Direct taxation throughout Yugoslavia will be abolished progressively by 1929 under a measure adopted today by the Yugoslav Government. There has been a great popular demand for this measure for some time.

### Toronto's Mayoralty

TORONTO, Dec. 21.—Three candidates for the mayoralty of Toronto in 1928 were named in the municipal nominations today. Mayor Thomas Spence is opposed by Controller A. Harker and Samuel McBride, the latter having been defeated in the mayoralty contest last year.

## Remarkable Conditions Result in London From Ice Forming on Streets

Rain Continuing to Freeze as It Falls Turns Highways Into Vast Sheets of Smooth-Sliding Surface—Busses Stopped—Skating to Town on Country Roads

## More Than One Thousand Casualties Treated in Hospitals During Morning

LONDON, Dec. 21.—London's millions of people slid and slithered citywards this morning in rain that froze on the sidewalks and roadways, and made the going exceedingly difficult. The suburbs were without milk, newspapers or early mail, as a result of the streets having been transformed into a vast glare of ice, and no busses were running. The railways were disorganized for a while. In the midst of the trouble, many housekeepers were appealing to plumbers to hasten and mend pipes that had burst. Things, however, improved rapidly as the morning advanced.

## Girl in Coffin Awakes to Life During Service

DURAY, Va., Dec. 21.—Having listened to a funeral sermon preached over the coffin in which she spent the night, a girl who was believed to be dead, Miss Fannie Broyles is alive today at her home near here. A brother, James Broyles, who stood by the casket, noticed a twitching of his sister's eyelid, and the funeral services were halted and resuscitation efforts begun. In a short time the girl was able to talk. She said she was aware of all that occurred around her as she lay in the casket but, still stunned from a blow on the head from a tree limb that fell upon her, was unable to move or speak.  
Finally she said her fears of being buried alive must have revived her nerves so that one eyelid fluttered. Under a physician's care since Saturday, when she was supposedly dead, the girl came back to life, she is declared to have fully recovered.

## De Valera in United States To Make Study

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Eamon de Valera, Irish Republican leader, arrived today on the Lehigh to study industrial and commercial problems to prepare himself, he said, to formulate a policy for Ireland's economic independence should his party come into power.

Pointing to a constantly increasing number of Republican deputies in the Dail Eireann, De Valera expressed the belief that the next general elections would bring a republican majority in the body.

"Unemployment and the consequent emigration of our young people are the problems most urgently pressing for solution," he said.

### De Valera will spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Kathleen Wheelwright, in Rochester, N.Y.

Great Britain's "peace in industry" campaign emerged from the talking stage yesterday when the general council of the Trades Union Congress agreed to a programme of Sir Alfred Mond, heading a group of big employers, to take part in a discussion for the purpose of ascertaining whether a programme of industrial co-operation could not be formulated and substituted for continual strife and warfare.

### STRIKING DISCOVERY MADE IN DOMINION RESEARCH LABORATORY

Important Information Gained on Origin of Varieties of Microscopic Parasites

WINNIPEG, Dec. 21.—That the discovery of J. H. Craigie, of the Dominion Rust Laboratory at Winnipeg, was the most striking mycological discovery of the century, is the opinion expressed by the head of the Bureau of Plant Research at Kew Gardens, London, Eng., in a letter read to the annual meeting of the American Phytopathological Society, Canadian Division, which is meeting here today.

"I think that the discovery of Mr. Craigie may be considered as ranking with that of the discovery of insulin," Dr. Reginald Butler said. "Mr. Craigie's discovery has to do with hybridization, or cross fertilization, among rust spores, and while it does not mean a cure for rust, or the production of a resistant wheat, it is believed to mean a long step in the determination of how many varieties of rust may be produced, besides being of great scientific interest because of the light thrown upon extremely low forms of life, including some of those causing diseases of plants."

### Wheat "rust" is a low form of parasitic plant life, too minute to be visible as such to the eye. Like yeast and other microscopic plants, which produce fermentation, it is reproduced by spores. The name is due to the rusty color on the wheat stalk, which is the indication of the presence of the "rust." The effect is to prevent the growth of the grains of wheat. The prevalence of "rust" has been disastrous in various wheat-growing areas, notably Minnesota, the Dakotas and Manitoba.

### Boundary Treaty

LIMA, Peru, Dec. 21.—A boundary treaty between Peru and Colombia, drawn in 1922, has been approved by the House of Representatives, 162 to 7.

## MUCH IS HOPED FROM MEETING

BRITISH CONFERENCE BETWEEN LABOR AND CAPITAL CREATES EXPECTATION

Possibility Seen of Entirely New Relationship Between Employers and Employed

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The proposed conference of British big business men and employers with the trades union leaders early in the new year to bring about "peace in industry," is the main subject of conversation in the lobbies of Parliament, and in the industrial commercial circles of the country. The invitation originally extended to the council of the Trades Union Congress of such a conference was accepted yesterday and interest immediately was aroused, particularly among the labor people, as to what the capitalists intend to offer the trades unions.

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### CANADIAN FARMERS TO TOUR IN EUROPE

OTTAWA, Dec. 21.—H. H. Arkell, Dominion Minister of Agriculture, will represent the Federal Department of Agriculture on the tour of Great Britain and Denmark to be undertaken by a party of fifty Canadian farmers. The personnel of the party has been drawn from all over the country, and the object of the trip to the Scandinavian country is to study the Danish system of intensive agricultural production and marketing.

### MERRITT ARRESTS ARE ALL RELEASED

MERRITT, B.C., Dec. 21.—Jack Allison and all other persons held by police here following the death of Emmett "Lucky" Todd, have been released, the officers considering that none of them were implicated in Todd's death.

### Arrow Lakes Service

NELSON, Dec. 21.—The last Arrow Lakes boat to operate on the summer schedule left West Robson tonight for Arrowhead, a passage through the ice at the narrows being kept open by icebreaker. The service between Nelson and the main line at Revelstoke will go on a winter basis Friday, with connections via the Blochin. There will be a local service on the Lower Arrow Lake and a local service between Nakusp and Burton on the Upper Arrow Lake.



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**SEATTLE SAYS HICKMAN SEEN**

Bought Goods in Store and Handed in One of Marked Bills Paid by Girl's Father as Ransom

**PROPRIETOR SAYS MAN RECOGNIZED**

SEATTLE, Dec. 21.—Police announced shortly before midnight that a man answering the description of William Edward Hickman had passed in a Seattle haberdashery one of the \$20 bills received by the kidnapper of twelve-year-old Marian Parker from her father.

The bill is now at police headquarters. A nervous young man entered the haberdashery at 7:30 tonight, and asked to purchase a pair of black gloves and suit of underwear.

The proprietor, whose name was not immediately revealed, was alone in the store. He told police that he recognized the customer as Hickman.

Police said there was no doubt the bill received by the haberdashery man was one of those obtained by the kidnapper-slayer from the father of the slain girl.

**MAN ALLOWED TO LEAVE**  
The proprietor of the store placed the currency in his cash register and made change without examining the bill. In somewhat of a hurry the customer left the store.

Certain that the customer was Hickman, the proprietor telephoned Captain William Kent, in charge of the police detective division.

Word of the supposed reappearance of Hickman was flashed immediately to Los Angeles police and to towns of the Pacific Northwest.

Cities north of Seattle especially were asked to watch for the suspect, who, police believed might be heading for the Canadian border.

**OTHER DEVELOPMENTS**  
LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21.—Possibility that William Edward Hickman, accused slayer of twelve-year-old Marian Parker, might have used an extensive disguise to escape his thousands of pursuers, and new evidence that the known lair of Hickman might have been the scene of the death of the girl, was a kidnapping victim, added new sensational angles to the man hunt tonight.

The accused "Prox" might have bleached his dark wavy hair in effecting a disguise, the police tonight believed, after it had been determined that he had stolen a quantity of hair bleach from a drug store he is accused of holding up two weeks prior to the kidnapping. In addition to this information, police also determined today that the quarry had gone to other lengths to disguise himself. He had left his telltale overcoat with a large man in payment for five dollars of his clothing, and he is known to have lived at the me the Parker child was kidnapped and killed.

Police believed that he might even have disguised himself as a woman to elude his pursuers. For the youth, friends told the officers, had donned women's clothing on occasions and had frequently boasted of his ability to impersonate the other sex.

**NEW EVIDENCE**  
The new evidence, tending to pin the actual murder scene on the apartment which Hickman occupied under the name of Donald Evans, was given by Police Chemist Rex Welch. The chemist announced that the spots in the apartment positively were blood and that the spots were fresh—possibly made last Saturday. The Saturday night that the kidnapper delivered the dismembered body to Marian's father, Percy M. Parker, and received \$15,000 in return. The chemist based his opinion that the blood spots were fresh on a careful microscopic analysis. Moreover, Welch and Police Commissioner Thorpe discovered that pieces of newspapers found in the apartment were the missing parts of those found wrapped about the little girl's body at the time it was left by the slayer.

County Chemist Abernathy today began analysis of the candy found in the apartment. This was on the theory that the killer may have given Marian poison or a sleeping potion concealed in the chocolates. Chemical examination of parts of the girl's body was also under way today in the effort to find whether or not she had been poisoned or drugged by her captor.

**UNFOUNDED REPORT**  
VANCOUVER, Dec. 21.—Reports were current today that Edward Hickman, sought by Los Angeles police in connection with the kidnapping and murder of Marian Parker, had been seen in this city. It was reported that Hickman had been seen early this afternoon near the Gore Avenue wharf, but immediate police investigation failed to reveal the presence of the youth in the city.

BILLINGHAM, Dec. 21.—Federal immigration and customs men at all points of entry into international boundary tonight were keeping a close watch for William Edward Hickman, reputed Los Angeles kidnapper-slayer, in the belief he may be headed for Canada. State, county and city police in the area have also been ordered to keep a lookout for the fugitive.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21.—The fingerprint classification of William Edward Hickman, sought as the killer of Marian Parker, follows: 25 over 1 dash over U; double O over double O, and 14 over 13.

**REEVE T. REID GIVEN ANSWER**

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"It has not asked that the municipalities be compelled to put the plan into effect, but, on the contrary, for asked definitely that the municipalities be asked for no contribution at all towards a teachers' pension scheme.

"He has asked that the plan be confined to contributions only from the teachers and from the Provincial Government, thus removing the difficulties discussed by President Reid in his letter. Such a plan was strongly recommended by the British Columbia Survey Commissioners.

"The teachers have offered to contribute four per cent of their salaries, but have asked for no such percentage from the Government, for they have requested only that the Government make such a contribution as they are financially able to meet.

**THE RESERVE FUND**  
Furthermore, in order to build up a reserve fund, the teachers have offered to make three years' contributions themselves without anyone being allowed to receive benefits. The teachers are willing to raise from their own funds over \$500,000 to provide a working capital and reserve. Inasmuch as Mr. Reid has said, "I am not against the teachers seeking a pension after years of service, if they so desire, and are willing to contribute out of their earnings the same," I feel that we are in complete agreement on this point.

"Under the circumstances I would respectfully suggest that the municipal councils should wait until our suggestions to the Government have been crystallized into concrete form, before taking further action. After that time, if I was, and still is, our intention to ask for a conference with the Union of British Columbia Municipalities' executive, and also the executive of the Provincial Trustees' Association, in order that we may all fully understand the present position.

"Our reason for not acting previously, and also for not giving particulars of the press was that we wished to give the Premier time to consider the proposals before any announcement was made; for, as our present plan depends solely upon the Government's support, no progress can be made without its acceptance of our general suggestions.

**CLEAR SITUATION**  
In view, however, of the evident misunderstandings which have arisen, and of the request for consideration by all municipalities, I make this statement in the hope that it may make the situation clear.

"It should be remembered, first, that the principle of teachers' superannuation has been already recognized by the Teachers' Superannuation Act; and secondly, that the principle of Government contribution has also been established by the act of the Legislature last session in granting retiring allowances to a few of the older teachers of the province. The federation's present plans are simply to combine these in a practical and permanent scheme.

"Civil servants have such a scheme; civic servants now have such a scheme; teachers, who are in a real sense, both civil and civic servants, have no such practical scheme.

"Furthermore, the Education Department officials, the inspectors and the Normal School staffs, are all included in the Civil Service Superannuation Act. The faculty members of the University have also a practical superannuation plan of a separate nature. Teachers are therefore, the only members of the educational forces of the province not yet provided for," Mr. Charlesworth concluded.

**MANSLAUGHTER JURY FINDING**

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"The driver of the automobile that struck the deceased was wrong in three places, according to the evidence. He was driving at a rate of speed of forty-five miles an hour, he was drunk, and he was driving on the wrong side of the road, the evidence indicates," Dr. Hart asserted.

The jury, composed of Mr. Fred Jeune, foreman, and Messrs. Harold F. Hewlett, Robert Melkie, Walter Duncan, Arthur Pitts and G. F. P. Low, retired to consider the case, and returned in less than ten minutes with its finding of manslaughter against Raymond Roberts.

**CAUSE OF DEATH**

The first witness was Dr. Frank M. Bryant, who told of Constable Wells' injuries. Witness had made a post mortem examination, and said that death was due to injury to the brain.

Llewellyn Clayards, who was an eyewitness to the tragedy, testified that about 12:05 a.m. on Saturday he was walking north on Quadra Street, between King's Road and Hillside Avenue, when he noticed a motor car coming over the top of the hill ahead of him. Nearing the corner of Hillside Avenue, he called "Good night" to Constable Wells, and the latter answered him. Witness stated that he saw the officer ride slowly across Quadra Street and suddenly on his brakes when he caught sight of an automobile bearing down on him. The constable, he said, made a slight turn to the left, and a collision occurred, but failed to get out of the way of the oncoming car. Witness declared that the officer was carried about sixty feet before he was hurled to the pavement.

Witness said that the motor car stopped for a moment when it was half-way between Hillside Avenue and King's Road, and then proceeded towards town again along Quadra Street. Clayards told of assisting in carrying Constable Wells to the apartments of Mr. Charles Burr, over the drug store on the corner of Hillside and Quadra.

**SPEED OF AUTOMOBILE**

Coroner Dr. Hart inquired of witness whether he had any idea of the speed of the automobile approaching Hillside Avenue.

"I should think that when the motor car hit Constable Wells at the intersection of Hillside Avenue and Quadra Street it was traveling at a rate of speed of forty-five miles per hour," Clayards replied.

Clayards stated that the motor car had gone five blocks while he had gone only one hundred yards. He said that he didn't walk slowly, either.

Chief of Police John Fry asked witness if he could describe the motor car which struck down Constable Wells.

Witness—"I made the statement at the time that the car was either a Packard six sedan or a McLaughlin six sedan."

Dr. Thomas Miller told of examining Raymond Roberts at the police station at 3:30 o'clock on Saturday morning. He stated that he found that Roberts' gait was staggering, his mental process was slow, and his bath was strong with alcohol. Roberts was uninjured, he said.

The Coroner—"Then would you say Roberts was drunk?"  
Witness—"Yes."

**TELLS OF MISHAP**

Miss Phyllis Press, who was the next witness, admitted that in company with Miss Dorothy Officer, she had driven with Roberts to the Tolmie farm on Friday night, the evening prior to the morning of the fatality.

"We left our house about 9 o'clock, and drove around town until about 10 o'clock. We then went up to the Tolmie farm—Fraser Tolmie's. We left there about 11:45 o'clock and drove along Quadra Street. Ray

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### Elephant Kills

#### Well-Known Hunter

NAIROBI, Kenya, British East Africa, Dec. 21.—William Judd, African sportsman, known throughout the big game world for his prowess in the hunting field, has fallen a victim to the dangers of his favorite sport after braving them successfully for thirty years.

While hunting at Mazougalen yesterday he was charged by an

infuriated wounded elephant, which mangled him as his son battled vainly to save him.

Young Judd finally killed the animal, but the veteran hunter was dead when his son reached his side.

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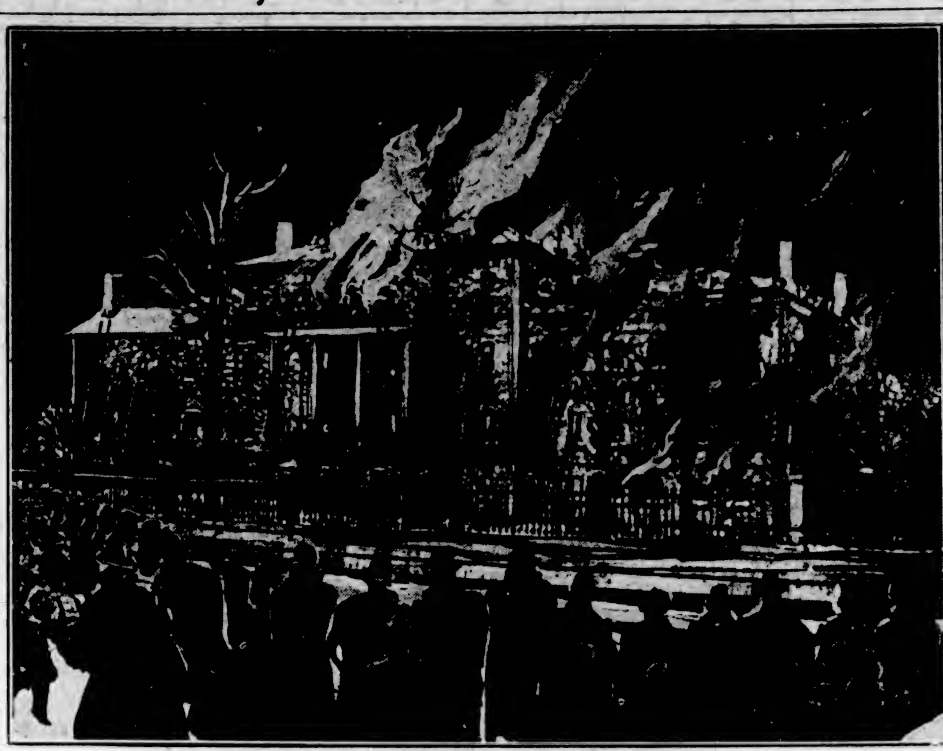
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### MARKETING ACT TERMED LEGAL

Ottawa Department Sees Nothing to Which Exception Can Be Taken, Says Mr. Black

KELOWNA, B. C., Dec. 21.—Mr. McGregor, registrar under the Combines Act at Ottawa, sees nothing in the operations of the British Columbia Fruit Marketing Board to which exception could be taken, according to F. M. Black, chairman of the board, who has just returned from Ottawa after giving evidence before the tariff board. Before leaving, Mr. Black interviewed Mr. McGregor in view of the attack on the Fruit Marketing Act by the chairman of the tariff commission. Mr. W. H. Moore, the tariff board head, had declared that he would be compelled to "make a report" on the British Columbia measure, and it was presumed in Ottawa that this report would be made to Mr. McGregor, who is responsible for initiating prosecutions under the Anti-Combines Act.

Mr. Black was well satisfied with the manner in which the case for the British Columbia Fruit Marketing Board had been presented at Ottawa, notwithstanding an impression that Mr. Moore had been somewhat brusque in his reception.

PRAIRIE FARMERS FRIENDLY.—While passing through Winnipeg, Mr. Black had a long talk with Mr. Hull, publicly director and editor of The Scoop Shovel, organ of the Manitoba wheat pool, also with Mr. Ward, secretary of the Canadian Council of Agriculture, and with the president and secretary of the United Farm Women of Manitoba. All expressed themselves most interested in the endeavor to stabilize marketing conditions. Broadly speaking, the farmers' or-

ganizations are not opposed to the producer getting a fair return for his labor, but are not favorable to any tariff increases.

Mr. Black entertains the idea that it would be an excellent thing to arrange for monthly visits to the interior of British Columbia from the representatives of the various women's organizations on the prairies. While in Winnipeg he took the opportunity of discussing informally with the officials of the railways their possible co-operation in the matter of rates. He is of the opinion that contact with the producers and visits to the orchards and packing houses would do an immense amount of good in popularizing British Columbia fruit.

### NEW PROVINCE PLAN TO BE PRESSED BY PEACE RIVER BOARD

PEACE RIVER, Dec. 21.—At a meeting of the Board of Trade a committee was formed for the purpose of compiling full details of the causes for grievances that were the means of initiating the campaign of The Peace River Record and The Grande Prairie Herald for the inauguration of a new province. A general drive is being undertaken and a full report will be made at the annual meeting early in the new year. Contrary to the belief expressed in several of the daily papers throughout Canada that it is too big an undertaking for a new country, the North has been receiving encouragement from different organizations situated within the proposed boundaries of the new province.

Plans for the raising of finances for the purpose of sending delegates to Prince Rupert and into Northern British Columbia to attend the different annual meetings of the several boards of trade interested are under way. That the two major problems enumerated by Premier Brownlee—the Peace River highway and Pacific Coast outlet—will be supported by a formidable list of complaints cannot be denied. This list will be submitted to the various organizations in the movement for approval before being published.

There is a certain member of a country club who is not very popular because of his ostentation and jewelry. One Sunday two club members were watching his gaudy personality back his way round the golf course. "Weak with his clubs, isn't he?" said one. "But strong in diamonds," added the other.

### Mr. Baldwin Sees Hope for Farmer In Joint Selling

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The position of British agriculture was discussed in the House of Commons yesterday in connection with the Liberal motion calling attention to the "grave position" of agriculture owing to the present depression and deploring "the failure of the Government to do anything effective towards helping to restore agriculture."

The motion was defeated by a vote of 258 to 107. Lieutenant-Colonel Walter E. Guinness, Minister of Agriculture, in speaking for the Government, denied that British agriculture deserved that condemnation. He said: "Our wages are higher and our yield is high compared with our acreage, while the decline of our agricultural population is nothing like so rapid as in other European countries."

There was strong evidence that the depression was not due to inefficiency of the British farmers, he said. The Government did not believe that tariff protection for agriculture would be efficient or suitable. The Government proposed at the next session to introduce a scheme of long term credits for occupying farmers, which would be the best chance of improvement for the farmer in co-operative marketing.

Mr. Lloyd George, former Premier, regretted that Premier Baldwin had not called a conference of all political parties on the question of agriculture.

### Local Results in November Test of Associated Board

Accompanying is a list of successful candidates in the November examinations of the Associated Board of the Royal Academy of Music and the Royal College of Music, held in Victoria, the names of candidate being followed by the subject:

Olive M. Heale, musical ornaments; Orinda Goyette, musical ornaments; Sylvia A. Boyden, harmony (lower grade); distinction; Alice M. Bonshor, harmony (lower grade); Laura A. Y. Lee, rudiments; Elsie C. Maycock, rudiments; Dorothy K. J. Curtis, rudiments; Mary R. L. Adamson, rudiments; Lauretta M. McCall, rudiments; Marjorie E. Landman, rudiments.

Grade Three—Ruth A. Penman, grammar; Violet Beasley, grammar; Phyllis J. Newton, grammar; Gertrude Ward, grammar; Mary A. Glendinning, grammar.

Grade Two—Ethel I. I. Thulin, grammar; Phyllis M. Hadfield, grammar; Jean Campbell, grammar; Idele Wilson, grammar; Ruth E. Carey, grammar; Mary E. Friend, grammar; Gilbert J. Margison, grammar.

Grade One—Agatha B. Bastin, grammar; Marguerite L. Hasenfratz, grammar; James Gow, grammar; Richard Eaton, grammar; Archie G. MacBride, grammar; Margaret E. Allen, grammar; Geoffrey N. Alera-Hankey, grammar; Rita M. Norris, grammar; Joyce A. Marriott, grammar; Margaret Griffiths, grammar.

### QUEBEC MEMBER GOES TO SENATE

OTTAWA, Dec. 21.—J. K. Laflamme, K.C., sitting M.P. for Drummond-Arthabaska since 1923, has been appointed to the Senate for the Millie Isles division for the Province of Quebec. He was announced today. Mr. Laflamme succeeds the late Hon. L. C. David. Senator Laflamme is sixty-seven years of age, he was educated at the Quebec Seminary and Laval University. He entered active politics in 1909 when he was defeated as an Independent Liberal in the St. James division when running for the Provincial Legislature. He has been a member of the House of Commons since 1921.

Mr. Laflamme has been active in the practice of law since he was admitted to the bar in 1893. He was appointed King's Counsel in 1905.

### FISHERIES MAY HAVE MINISTER

Present Department of Marine and Fisheries May Be Divided, Says Albert Member

VANCOUVER, Dec. 21.—Hints that the Federal Government intends to split the Department of Marine and Fisheries and create a new portfolio of fisheries are not lacking, stated A. W. Neill, M.P. for Comox-Alberni, in speaking at the salmon conservation inquiry in the Board of Trade Hall Tuesday.

"I am given to understand that they already have in mind a man for the position of Minister—an Eastern man," he said. "If this is done there would have to be a deputy minister, and I sincerely hope that the choice will fall on Mr. Found."

W. A. Found, who presided at the probe, is inspector-general of fisheries.

Mr. Neill said that one of the troubles with the industry was the haphazard method of meeting its problems. There is no well-defined policy to take care of conditions which continually change, he declared. Things come to a point where some action must be taken, a royal commission, a few reforms are introduced, then matters drift along until there is agitation for another royal commission. Mr. Neill believes that the formation of a separate fisheries department would remedy the situation. Under the new system, Major Motherwell, now chief inspector of fisheries for British Columbia, would be relieved of routine office duties, so that he could give all his time to the promulgation of policies to aid the industry.

### With the Ex-Service Organizations In Victoria and District

#### CHRISTMAS PARTIES

The annual Christmas party of the Pro Patria Branch of the Canadian Legion for the children of its members, will take place in the club-rooms, 625 Courtney Street, on Saturday, December 31, from 4:30 to 7 p.m. All members are requested to register their children with the secretary as early as possible. Children of deceased ex-service men are also invited to the party, and should apply to the secretary for tickets.

Britannia Branch of the Canadian Legion, of the B.E.S.L., will act as hosts to two hundred children from two to fourteen years of age, at the annual Christmas tree party at the Foresters' Hall, Cormorant Street, today. Santa Claus is billed to arrive at 2:30 p.m., and will stay with the kiddies until 6 o'clock. Entertainment, Christmas gifts, and a social evening for the grown-ups will form the complete programme fostered by this unit.

#### CHRISTMAS TOMBOLA

The following numbers are winners in the Christmas tomboola held by the Britannia Branch, Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L. The holders of the winning tickets can receive orders for their prizes on application at any time: 565, 169, 593, 563, 801, 324, 241, 1076, 1062, 1076, 197, 41, 1074, 428, 689, 1157, 946, 919, 1104, 1291, 1119, 1210, 46, 129, 802, 1169, 1120, 961, 1244, 196, 530, 438, 80, 967, 876, 1108, 62, 438, 1291, 846, 906, 1432, 1270, 1291, 82, 162, 335, 994, 821, 842, 56, 971, 25, 68, 648, 1393, 845, 1334, 599, 954, 575, 849, 548, 841, 1018, 1118, 559, 978, 1082, 1242.

### SECOND BIG MINE ON H. B. RAILWAY

WINNIPEG, Dec. 21.—Halsted Lindsay, president of Sherritt Gordon Mines, Limited, and Noah A. Timmins, president of Hollinger Consolidated Gold Mines and an

important shareholder in Sherritt Gordon, which owns a big copper property at Cold Lake, thirty-five miles northwest of Flin Flon, in Northern Manitoba, are now in Winnipeg.

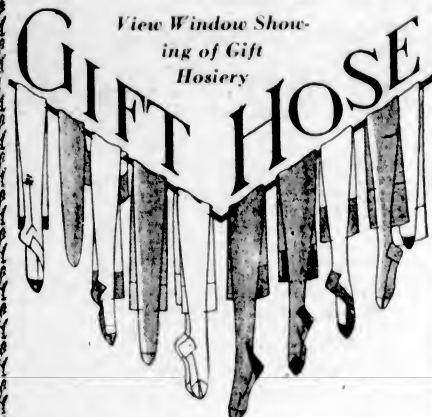
The Free Press says: "It is believed important developments in connection with the Sherritt Gordon and its relationship to the province have brought the two mining chieftains to Winnipeg."

The paper adds that the White Mud power site and the extension of the Flin Flon railway to the

Store Open Today, Friday and Saturday Till 9:00 P.M.

### Only 3 More Days to Complete Your Christmas Shopping

Just bring your unfilled feminine gift list here, where you will find it so easy and satisfactory to complete. If you're somewhat in a quandary as to what to give, then buy "Campbell's" Merchandise Scrip, which is issued in any amount and redeemable in any of our departments.



500 Pairs Kayser Full Fashioned Pure Silk Stockings for Gifts at, Per Pair, \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$1.95

Christmas shoppers in our Hosiery Section will find all the newest and most beautiful colors in this famous brand of pure silk full fashioned hose, which all women are admiring and wearing. The silk comes well above the knees, and soles, heels and toes are strongly reinforced. Every pair packed in a fancy novelty gift box. All sizes from 8½ to 10½. BUY YOUR GIFT HOSE AT "CAMPBELL'S."

### Umbrellas!

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### Surprising Christmas Sale of Knitted Wool Suits

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These Go on Sale Today at \$9.50, \$15.00 and \$17.50

Included in this phenomenal Christmas offering of smart Knitted Wool Suits are the popular Cardigan and jumper styles. All colors, splendid qualities—a suit that you will enjoy wearing. Remember these were formerly priced to sell up to \$32.50. On sale today at \$9.50, \$15.00 and \$17.50.

### Suede Leather Golf and Motor Coats for Women

What a useful and sensible gift one of these lovely coats would be. They come in shades of brown, fawn, sand, Nile, green and scarlet. Finished with pocket, comfortable collar and belt, lined and unlined. An opportunity for husband to give his wife "just what I wanted."

### 500 Novelty Rubber Aprons for Women and Children

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Slippers for Father, Mother—and don't forget the Children.

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- 7132—Merry Wives of Windsor Overture ..... Sir Henry Wood and Queen's Hall Orchestra
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Will purchase the All-British "WILLIS" Piano. We will take in your old piano, organ or gramophone as part payment.

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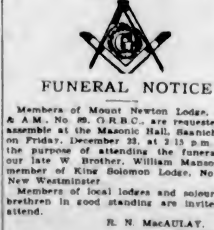
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**Food Poisoning**

WINDSOR, Ont., Dec. 21.—Mrs. May Low is dead, her husband, James, is critically ill in hospital, and their son, Alex, six, is also in hospital as the result of a mysterious poisoning. They were found this afternoon by business associates of Mr. Low. They discovered Mrs. Low dead in bed at her home, her husband prostrate on the floor and the child helpless. Attempts to telephone the house this morning

**Filipinos Lose Homes**

MANILA, Dec. 21.—Two Filipino children perished today in a fire in the suburbs that burned the homes of 2,000 persons. The property loss was approximately \$500,000.

**NEW MIGRATION PLAN ADVANCED****BRITISH NAVAL OFFICER WOULD MOVE MILLION TO DOMINIONS**

Suggests That Government Continue Beneficial Union Policy Get on Their Feet

For nearly a decade unemployment has been no casual curse. Amounting to 2,000,000 at one moment, it is officially assessed today, nine years after the armistice, at over 1,000,000 in registered trades alone, besides the unregistered, the "black" and "grey" trades, in the London Daily Mirror.

It must not be forgotten in this connection that the war has increased emigration for over four years, and that, instead of absorbing 2,000,000 emigrants yearly, we retained this overseas at home.

So that even after accounting for the ravages of war we would still have with a net margin of a million more than the normal quota.

It would in reasonable times have been hard to absorb this surplus. But it was a desperate case, a post-war world of valiant markets. Thousands of careerist and competent servants of the state found themselves—in a twinkling—its houseless and humiliated dependents.

They had fought gallantly upon many a front; they had won a high standard of living; they had, under promise of an endless Eldorado, and now they were crushed into sterile consumers of crumbs from civilization's table. Independent freemen became shameless devours of the dole; and in the enervating air of subsidized sloth the noblest heroisms wilted away.

**CREATED CITIZENS**

Nor was the pitiable drawn by these created citizens valid for any State purpose. It barely kept the recipients in cheap cigarettes, in every sense it was waste, waste, waste. It created a new class, moved no maddy. It just perpetuated chaos. Most tragic of all, it blinded millions to the bankruptcy of chances here, and to their incalculable solvency overseas.

For while our island is congested, there are millions of empty square miles of Empire, Australia, if moved alongside the west coast of Ireland, would reach to America, so that we could walk across dry-shod. Australia's population is half that of London alone.

New Zealand's two islands contain barely one million souls, and Canada has not reached that ten-million stage which half a century ago Professor Sealey prophesied that she would pass in a dozen years.

Whereas the Mother Country is a tangle of towns glutted with human beings, the bulk of our Dominions consists of vast void tracts.

While half England today is suburban, nine-tenths of our outer Empire has never felt the touch of man. Empty continents gaze to be filled. The rich earth cries out "Till me." The desolate rivers call aloud, "Navigate us!" the woods wait for the axe.

**MILLIONS WASTED**

Health and wealth ask to be won in these roomy acres; but there are no hands to glean there. Those hands have fallen nerveless in eight years' toper far away in England; and no magician is ready with a wand to work the mighty exchange.

True, as long ago as 1921 a conference with Dominion delegates was held which culminated in the Empire Settlement Act, 1922. But few swallows flew south under that stimulus, and the £3,000,000 yearly voted has never been spent. Is it not strange, this diffidence to journey forth for the first time with State aid?

The official explanation is that the yearly £3,000,000 cannot be reached because the Government may only pay half of any expenditure, and so far has failed to find sufficient partners for the other half.

But to quibble over this relatively insignificant sum is to reveal the mediocrity of spirit which all along has doomed overseas settlement to negation and disaster.

A deadlier influence than the absence of paying partners has tugged against the success of the act. It sounds like lunacy, but it is a fact that in unemployment grants, insurance and donations we have spent over £400,000,000 in nine years. An unemployed man costs his country nearly £50 a year, and if unemployment lasts another eight years (the estimate) the cost may reach £800 to £900. This outlay is in every way worthless.

Why, therefore, go on spending £300 where it is economically futile? Why not spend it somewhere else? In real relief of the patient, and in the simultaneous increase of the common stock of prosperity?

An adult can now reach Australia and New Zealand for £11, and Canada for £3. Pay his full fare thither, and go on paying him the dole for (say) two years over there. That will induce him to emigrate and make him welcome in the Dominions. It is an outlay of £100 against £300, a saving on each settler of £200.

You can even forestall this plan at home and teach intending migrants the elements of farming in England. Selected farmers in each county (without dismissing any hands) would train an out-of-work pupil drawing £10 for six months, and bring his weekly dole up to the full local laborer's wage.

Millions can thus be freed for the major task of developing our huge overseas heritage, not in the spirit of a handout, but with courage and deliberation.

Linked to the organized exodus of our migrants must go plans for their ample anchorage in new homes, and spacious schemes which would soon gobble up our redundant residents, planting it there to strive and thrive.

**DANGER TO EMPIRE**

After all, thank goodness, we have got Dominions to go to. Germany went to war for a place in our sun. Italy suffers from a surplus of citizens, who, when they quit her shores, quit her flag.

What would not Signor Mussolini give for a handy colony to which his countrymen could go and remain Italians? What might Japan

**Ambassador of Goodwill to Mexico****MR. W. MANSON PASSES AWAY**

Will Be Buried Under Masonic Auspices at Shady Creek Cemetery

Mr. William Manson, late a resident of Mount Newton, passed away at the Jubilee Hospital on Tuesday night at the advanced age of ninety-three. For sixty-five years he had been a resident of this province and during that time had made a very wide circle of friends. He was one of the oldest members of the Masonic craft in this province.

For the past seven years he had made his home with his nephew, Mr. J. M. Malcolm, on the Mount Newton Crossroad in Saanich.

The late Mr. Manson was a native of Scotland, having been born in Mel, Caithness, on February 17, 1835. In 1862 he came to Victoria in the vessel Celestia, and for some years was in the employ of the Hudson's Bay Company here. A cabinet maker by trade, he established a match-making business in this city in 1880, and afterwards was in the contracting business for many years before his retirement. In 1891 he went to New Westminster to reside for a few years, but returned and spent the remainder of his life in this city, making his home with his nephew, Mr. Malcolm.

The late Mr. Manson from early manhood had been a member of the Masonic craft. In 1880, he was initiated into the Mount Newton Lodge, No. 2, of this city, and in 1887 was elected worshipful master of that lodge. In 1891, when he went to New Westminster, he was affiliated with King Solomon Lodge of that city, retaining his affiliation until the time of his death.

He is survived by one nephew, J. M. Malcolm. The remains are being deposited at the Thomson Funeral Home, Quadra Street. The cortege will proceed to Shady Creek Cemetery, East Saanich Road, for service at 2 o'clock, Friday, preceding the interment.

**Singer Dies**

KINGSTON - ON - THAMES, Dec. 21.—Charles Courtice Pounds, noted singer and actor, who for many years was associated with Gilbert and Sullivan's operas, died today. He was sixty-three years old. Mr. Pounds took place less than ten days after a benefit matinee at His Majesty's Theatre, at which the receipts were more than £3,000. Illness prevented an actor's presence at the performance.

**Obituary**

EMERY—The funeral of Douglas Victor Emery, who passed away on Sunday last at the family residence, 1567 Gladstone Avenue, took place from there yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Service was conducted by Rev. James Hood. Relatives and a large gathering of friends were in attendance and the casket was hidden beneath a profusion of beautiful flowers, testifying to the popularity of the late Mr. Emery. The hymns sung were "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" and "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." The pallbearers were Messrs. Edward Wagg, Albert Wagg, Harry Crowther, Alfred Jones, William Blair and Charles Adams. Interment was made in the family plot at Ross Bay Cemetery.

PALLOU—The remains of Mrs. Lydia Catherine Pallou, who passed away at St. Joseph's Hospital on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, will be taken to the Sand Funeral Company to Georges Harbor, Salt Spring Island. Service will be held on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at St. Mark's Church by Rev. J. P. Plinton. Interment will take place on Salt Spring Island.

KENNEDY—In this city, on December 20 there passed away Patrick Kennedy, aged sixty-five, and born in Ireland, his late residence being at Carcross, Yukon. The remains are being deposited at Haywards B.C. Funeral Chapel, from where the funeral will take place on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at St. Andrew's Cathedral, where mass will be conducted by Rev. Father Evans at 9 o'clock. Interment will be made in Ross Bay Cemetery.

MILLER—The funeral of the late Mrs. Robert Gordon Miller, who passed away in this city on Sunday, December 17, will be held on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at McColl Brothers' Funeral Home to St. Luke's Church, Cedar Hill Road, where service was held, Rev. S. Ryall officiating. Interment was made in the churchyard with the following friends as pallbearers: Messrs. P. V. Hobbs, W. F. Wardale, F. S. Shillito and Thomas Jolley.

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WHEAT KING TALKS ON P.C.E. EXTENSION

VANCOUVER, Dec. 21.—Farmers of the Peace River district are anxious to have an outlet for their products to the Pacific, but they do not favor extension of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, according to H. Treble, of Wembley, grower of champion wheat and oats. Mr. Treble has arrived in Vancouver with his wife and children.

"We are afraid that if the P.G.E. is extended into the Peace River country our products will have to pay for deficits on the present P.G.E. line."

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The Finest Lot of Birds We Have Ever Shown

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6 to 9 lbs. weight, per lb. 52c	6 to 9 lbs. per lb. 48c
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Finest Local Geese, per lb. 37c	11 lbs. and over, per lb. 50c
Fresh Killed Alberta Geese, per lb. 35c	Fancy Local Ducks, per lb. 42c
Fancy Fresh Killed Roasting Chickens, 6 to 8 lbs. per lb. 40c	Alberta Ducks, per lb. 37c
Mixed Nuts, Special, per lb. 19c	California Layer Eggs, 15c
Local Jonathan Apples, box, \$1.45	English Christmas Puddings, 75c
French Glace Cherries, lb. 42c	\$1.00 and \$1.35

Kirkham's Delicious Chocolates, 3-lb. box, \$1.10; 5-lb. box, \$1.75

Fletcher's Christmas Hams, whole or half, per lb. 28c

New Shipment Eastern Haddies, extra fine, Special, per lb. 17c

Store Will Be Open Evenings Balance of the Week

**H. O. KIRKHAM & CO., LIMITED**  
Grocery Phones 612 Fort Street Butcher & Provision  
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Wicker bodies, rubber tired disc wheels, all painted blue. Only \$1.00

The Best Buy in the City

We also have Doll Carriages at \$2.75

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Particulars regarding concessions can be had, including coffee shop, five stores, gasoline service station and storage, by applying to

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Between the Hours of 9 and 12 and 2 and 4

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Cloud Fresh Water Pipe, 12-inch Lengths \$3.00 Per Cord. Extra Lry. \$7.00

Any Lengths, 2 in. to 18 in. Dry Kindling

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**Special Christmas Offer**

Two thousand bunches of choice Chrysanthemums, including white, pink, yellow; at a bunch, 60c, 75c, \$1.00

Pay a visit to Flowerland—view our wonderful display of Poinsettias; they are all "real flowers."

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**Men**

A fine, comfortable Felt Slipper with leather soles; colors, brown and tan. 99c

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1321 DOUGLAS STREET

**Women**

180 Pairs Women's Leather Slippers, 6 colors, rubber heels. Make ideal gifts. 99c

All sizes, 3-8. Pair \$1.45

180 Pairs Women's Dainty Slippers, Trimmed Bolivar Slippers, in old rose, fuchsia, red, wistaria, brown and blue. All sizes, 3-8. Pair \$1.45

Per pair \$1.45

**Children**

Plain Felt, sizes 4-7. 69c

"COW" Paw Slippers, leather soles, sizes 4-7. 89c

Picture Paws, with Teddy Bears and other designs. 89c

Bright Gum Slippers. Every child wants a pair. Reg. \$1.39. \$1.39

Size 3-7 1/2 \$1.39

**STEWART**

THE SHOE MAN

Remember everybody this Christmas with a pair of dainty STEWART'S Slippers at the Sale Prices That Are Astonishingly Victoria.

**WAGE DISPUTES EAST AND WEST**

Five Industrial Controversies Now Engaging Attention of Ottawa Department

OTTAWA, Dec. 21.—Five industrial disputes are engaging the attention of the Minister of Labor, Hon. Peter Heenan. The disputes affect workers as far as Saint John, N.B., in the East and Nanaimo, B.C., in the West. In the Maritime city the Canadian Pacific Railway and the grain elevator employees are at odds, while in the same place the same company is also engaged in a dispute with the marine freight handlers. The men's request deals with increases in wage rates and working conditions. Altogether about 520 workers are affected.

Vancouver Island has two disputes, each centering on the coal mining industry. The underground employees of the Western Fuel Corporation of Nanaimo demanded the restoration of a ninety-cent-a-day bonus which was dropped in June, 1925, and a conciliation board was established to inquire into their grievance. The sessions of the board have now closed and its report, which is understood to include majority and minority recommendations, is in the hands of a similar request from the Canadian Collieries workers in South Wellington. Vancouver Island, has resulted in the appointment of two representatives on a board which has been established, but a chairman has not been agreed upon. The Minister of Labor is now considering the nomination of a third member. About 1,500 men are directly affected in the coal disputes.

The clerks and freight handlers of the Toronto, Hamilton & Buffalo Railway, to the number of between seventy-five and eighty, also are demanding increased wages.

**CATALA INQUIRY**

VANCOUVER, Dec. 21.—After hearing evidence of Capt. E. A. Dickson, master of the steamship Catala, wrecked on Mist Island, near Port Simpson, November 8 last, and First Officer Sheppard, the Marine Court of Inquiry adjourned this afternoon. Deception in the distance the ship was from Mist Island caused the accident, it was declared.

**EIGHT DIE IN FIRE**

CRACOW, Poland, Dec. 21.—Eight persons were burned to death and seven injured in a fire today which swept the historic palace of Count Tarnowski. Polish Minister to Japan, and former Ambassador to Washington. The origin of the fire is unknown.

**Okanagan Turkeys**

VERNON, B.C., Dec. 21.—Mrs. Maurice Middleton bids fair to bring fame to the Okanagan Valley, through her turkeys. On Monday she shipped to Vancouver dealers seventy-six of this year's milk-fed birds aggregating more than 1,100 pounds in weight. The turkeys were shipped in two lots, one averaging fourteen pounds in weight and the other sixteen pounds.

**French Aviators**

LA PAZ, Bolivia, Dec. 21.—Dieudonne Costes and Joseph Lebrun, French aviators, en route to the United States, arrived at El Alto airfield at 6 p.m. today.

**A GIRL'S ESSAY ON BOYS**

Boys are men that have not got as big as their papas, and girls are women that will be ladies by-and-by. Man was made before woman. When God looked at Adam He said to Himself: "Well, I think I can do better if I try. And He made Eve. God liked Eve so much better than Adam that there has been more women than men. Boys are a trouble. They wear out everything but soap. If I had my way half the world would be girls and the rest dolls. My papa is no nice that I think he must have been a little girl when he was a boy.

He sat at the dinner table. With a discontented frown. The potatoes and steak were underdone. The bread was baked too brown. The pie too sour, the pudding too sweet. The roast was much too fat. The soup greasy, too, and salt. 'Twas hardly fit for the cat. "I wish you'd eat the bread and pies. I've seen my mother make; They are something like, and 'twould do you good. Just to look at a piece of her cake." Said the smiling wife, "I'll improve with age. Just now I'm but a beginner; But your mother has come to visit us. And today she cooked the dinner." Mr. Greene—"These jellies all seem the same flavor to me, dear." Mrs. Greene—"But you can tell the difference by the labels." "Possibly, I never thought of taking the labels."

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## City & District

Christmas Trees Free—At the site of the Gorge Vale Golf Club, Christmas trees may be obtained by application to the tree-cutting work crew of Craigflower Road and Tillicum Road.

Appointment Made—Rev. Owen L. Jull, rector of St. Joseph's, has accepted the appointment as vicar of St. Mark's, Cloverdale, in succession to Rev. H. V. Hitchens, who will succeed Rev. S. Ryall at Nanaimo. Mr. Jull will arrive here in the Spring.

Fox Still at Large—The fox which escaped from the Malahat Fox Farm last week and was cornered at Lake Hill on Sunday afternoon, making its escape, however, is still at large. By telephoning to 806X those who see the fugitive will assist in accelerating its recovery.

Advertising Drive—Cedar manufacturers plan a more intensive and comprehensive advertising and publicity campaign for 1928 than heretofore. Manufacturers of British Columbia and Western Washington have decided at their conference this week at the Olympic Hotel, Seattle. The gathering was called to discuss trade promotion plans for the coming year.

To Seek Route—Under the arrangements that were made with Major D. R. MacLaren, of the Pacific Airways Ltd., there will be an attempt made this summer to locate, by means of an airship, a suitable route for the proposed road-way from Prince Rupert to Terrace.

Last year this route was suggested by the machine, and it was then agreed that the search would be renewed this coming summer.

Tree Illuminated—Parliament Square has donned a festive appearance during the last few evenings; the effort of the Illuminated Christmas tree having borne fruit.

The square is now adorned every evening with the glittering silhouette of a California redwood, which has been strung with many-colored lights, a brilliant and seasonable touch which has elicited the admiration of residents and visitors in the city who chance to pass that way any time after dark. The cooperation of the Hon. Dr. W. H. Sutherland was secured first, in order to get the tree wired, and Mayor Pendray gave the project his approval and secured the required electricity from the city. The Empress Hotel, following its annual custom, has two illuminated holly trees at the main entrance, so that this season passers-by in the neighborhood have the gay spectacle of three outdoor Christmas trees.

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## CHANGES MADE IN QUEBEC COUNCIL

QUEBEC, Dec. 21.—As a result of appointments to the Legislative Council, two by-elections will be held, one in Quebec East and the other in the Magdalen Islands. There is still one other vacancy in the Legislative Council, Lanaudiere.

Hon. Philippe Paradi, who has been appointed a member of the Senate of Canada, resigned from the Quebec Legislative Council today. He is succeeded by M. Le-tourneau. Mr. Grothe succeeds Sir Lomer Gouin in the Salaberry division, and Hon. Mr. Caron in Kennebec takes the place of the late Paul Tanguay. Hon. Mr. Caron stated today he would continue as Minister of Agriculture for the present, but did not expect to hold the portfolio after the end of the next session.

**MAIDS AT GOLDEN WEDDING**

Five of the eight bridesmaids at the wedding of the Marquess and Marchioness of Aberdeen and Temair, Scotland, were present at the golden wedding anniversary of the couple, which was held in London recently. The bridesmaids were little sprigs of orange blossoms and golden ivy leaves, and tried to reproduce details of the dresses they wore fifty years ago. The Earl of Balfour was also present and reviewed how he introduced the young couple to each other in Rotten Row more than a half-century before.

A portly country woman was paying a Christmas visit to her daughter's at London. She sat down in the train beside a hospital nurse and began to chat.

"Ah," she said, eyeing the nurse's uniform admiringly, "I don't know what we'd do without the likes of you."

"Oh, now you are too kind," protested the nurse, with a smile. "I am quite sure you do things as worthy every day."

"Not me, miss," replied the old lady, mournfully. "I can't kill a duck or fowl with the best, that I admit, but when it comes to human beings my heart fails me."

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## NO COMMENT BY GOVT. OFFICIALS

Preferential Tariff Claimed to Discriminate Against United States Shipping

OTTAWA, Dec. 21.—No comment was forthcoming today from Government officials with regard to the charges preferred by the New York Maritime Exchange in a resolution to President Coolidge that United States shipping was being discriminated against as a result of the preferential tariff on goods imported through Canadian ports. It was pointed out that this has now been in operation for several years.

## B.C. MINING OUTPUT TO BE \$62,000,000

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he found a great many of foreign origin who were employed in and about the mines and the smelter, but he did not find many natives of British Columbia there. These were in the automobile trade, or in other positions about the town.

Mining, said Mr. Galloway, is the basic industry in material progress. All modern civilization was built up on the use of metals. The stage of civilization and development of the countries were in proportion to the use that was made of these metals. In America and Europe there were vast quantities used. In Asia there was little.

The speaker reviewed the outstanding developments taking place in the province at the present time. In this connection he paid a great compliment to the work done by the Consolidated Mining & Smelting Company, and remarked with satisfaction from the standpoint of the Coast the interest that the company was manifesting in Coast properties. It was therefore with a good deal of hope that the expectation was held out that the company would carry on on the Coast something in the line of treating of ore that was being done with such great success by that organization at Trail.

It was a matter of regret that there was not the prospecting carried on in the province that was being done in the United States. He, however, was of the opinion that more prospecting would follow with the taking up of more properties that were now held by prospectors for mining companies. As these were disposed of, prospectors would again take the field. There was now a marked increase in the taking up of prospects upon which some work had been done, and the situation here felt would soon right itself.

The public did not realize what was done for the industry by the metallurgists. The development of new processes for the treating of ores was working wonders in the world of mining today. In this the Consolidated was carrying on a wonderful work. Not only was that company looking after its own ores, but it was giving the small owner the opportunity to have his ores tested out, and the best methods of handling it conveyed to the owners.

At the Consolidated now there were ninety per cent of the ores treated by concentration before they went to the smelter. The same was true to an extent at Anyox. There a few years ago all the ores went direct to the smelter. Now practically all of these were treated by flotation. The result was that lower grade ores than ever before were being handled there and bigger profits were being made from them than from the higher ones when sent direct to the smelter.

### DIVIDENDS GO OUTSIDE

Mr. Galloway said that he would like to see greater returns from the mining enterprises come to the residents of this province than was the fact at the present time. With the ten million dollars of dividends likely to be paid out of the mines of British Columbia this year, or on an average of \$17 per head of population, he wondered how many of the people of this province got their \$17 share.

The average investor from the outside, said he, seemed to be very well advised. It would appear that the British Columbia investor was perhaps not so well advised. He hoped that in the future the local investor would show better judgment.

The Department of Mines did not give advice to investors. That was not a part of the work of the department. It did try to give the exact facts with respect to the

properties, and the condition in the districts.

In the carrying on of a mine management business, there was a very important part in addition to the mineral showings. There were good mining brokers in the province. These should be able to advise investors on promotions, etc. These brokers, if they were reliable ones, should be able to keep in touch with the mineral showings as well. It was a noticeable fact that in the past year there had been a greater number of engineers in the province looking over the various properties for investors. There had also been shown greater confidence on the part of them to recommend the taking over of mining prospects.

**COAL SITUATION**  
In the coal situation, which was one of special interest in Vancouver Island, the situation was not as encouraging as it might be. This was due to the competition of fuel oil from the United States. There had been various processes discussed of late looking to the devising of means for the getting of greater efficiency from the coal.

At the recent meeting of the Mining Institute in Nanaimo the coal mining men had discussed the situation very frankly. They had been expressing the opinion that while these processes might be of importance in some parts of the world they were not likely to be applicable here. The opinion was further frankly admitted by them that coal mining had lagged behind in research work as compared with the metal mining. The modernizing of the coal mines, in which they were engaged was urged as the need to meet competition.

Following the address Mr. Galloway presented a number of views relating to mining in this province, and which served to exemplify some of the facts that he had brought out in his address.

He was introduced by Mr. R. F. Davy, president of the local branch of the Engineering Institute. Among those present were a number of mining men as well as the members of the Engineering Institute.

## CHURCH REQUEST JUDGMENT GIVEN

SAINT JOHN, N.B., Dec. 21.—Judgment has just been delivered by Sir Douglas Hazen, chief justice of New Brunswick, in which the proper disposal of bequests made in a will where, among other things, the question of the status of the testator is involved. The case, known as the case of the late Ada J. Loggie, wife of Colonel T. C. Loggie, of Fredericton, for the reason as to the proper manner of disposing of the following bequest in Mrs. Loggie's will, dated Dec. 21, 1923: "To aged and infirm ministers and widows of the Presbyterian Church, the sum of \$2,500."

### Guatemala Awaits

Colonel Lindbergh

GUATEMALA CITY, Dec. 21.—It was officially announced today that Colonel Lindbergh will leave Mexico City next Tuesday at 9 a.m., and is expected to arrive here at 8 p.m. Great preparations are being made to receive him. The Minister of War is in charge of the proposed programme and has the cooperation of the National Aviation Service. The Government has invited the public to be on hand at the aviation field to receive the flyer.

Like most boys, little Roger Smith was inclined to be somewhat rough at times, his conduct toward his younger sister in particular leaving much to be desired. So his mother took him in hand and gave him sundry lessons in etiquette. The results were fairly satisfactory, until one day his sister, starting to leave the room, found herself violently pulled back.

"You silly little ass," growled the boy, "don't you know that you should wait till a gentleman opens the door for you?"

At a recent social function in London, Mr. A. B. Houghton, the American Ambassador, was responsible for an exceedingly witty remark. One of the guests called his attention to the fact that the United States Supreme Court had finally decided that there was a medicine, thereby giving American doctors the right to prescribe a bottle whenever they saw fit to do so.

Mr. Houghton smiled. "Beer may be a medicine," he said, "but I don't think it is ever likely to become a drug on the market."

Take a quart of pure Good Will. Flavor well with sympathy. Boil it on the fire until it is full of bubbling Glee. Season with a dash of Cheer. Mixed with Love and Tenderness. Cool off in an atmosphere That is mostly Kindliness.

Stick a dozen raisins in. Gathered from sweet laughter's vine.

And such fruits as you can win. In a purely joyous line. Make a batter from the cream. Of good spirits running high. And you'll have a perfect dream. Of a Merry Christmas pie.

A schoolgirl was asked: "What did Henry VIII do to Anne Boleyn?" The reply was surprising: "Please, teacher, he ironed on her."

The child repeated her statement. She was quite confident that Henry had caused Anne Boleyn to submit to this treatment. It fitted in with her idea of his character. Chapter and verse were then demanded, and the child opened her history book and pointed triumphantly to the passage: "Henry pressed his suit on Anne Boleyn." —Tit-Bits

"You cannot keep me down!" shouted an orator at a public meeting. "Though I may be pressed below the waves, I rise again; you will find that I come to the surface, gentlemen."

"Yes," said one of his hearers, who had come among the audience for the purpose of anthropological study, "you come to the surface to blow."

## Opposed to Adoption of Prayer Book



LORD CARSON

Who declared in the House of Lords that the effect of adoption of the proposed revision of the Church of England prayer book would be to drive the Anglicans in the Dominions and Ireland out of communion with the mother church.

## SS. MAURETANIA CHRISTMAS SHIP

Indications Are That 800 Passengers Will Spend Joyous Time En Route to Canada

SOUTHAMPTON, Eng., Dec. 21.—The steamer Mauretania, which sailed for New York today with 800 passengers, most of them homeward bound North Americans, is a veritable Christmas ship.

Knowing that all hands would have to spend Christmas at sea, the officers of the liner have made elaborate arrangements for a joyous time.

The chef, for instance, has collected two tons of ingredients for a Christmas pudding, which will be made from the recipe used by King George's chef, while 500 turkeys, ducks and geese have been allowed away to say nothing of 5,000 bottles of wine, 3,000 bottles of spirits and 15,000 bottles of beer.

Some people contrive to make "silent suffering" simply deafening.

## GIVE "HER"

A Bracelet Watch  
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—Her longed-for day—dreams of a lovely article of jewelry, a Bracelet Watch, can be resolved into reality by a visit to our store. In our store you can choose the most desirable Rings, Watches, Bracelets, Toilet Sets, and hundreds of other beautiful gifts that will more than delight "Her" on Christmas morning.

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**NO REFLECTION ON QUEBEC FIREMEN**

QUEBEC, Dec. 21.—A denial of the statements attributed to him during the coroner's inquest was made by Abbe Caron, chaplain of the Hospice St. Charles at today's session of the inquiry into the fire that claimed the lives of thirty children. Twenty-four other children are still unaccounted for and a search is being conducted of the ruins.

At the coroner's inquest Abbe Caron was quoted as saying "had

the firemen followed the instructions of the sisters of the Hospice with regard to placing ladders, the loss of life would have been much smaller."

At today's inquiry, presided over by Fire Marshal Leclerc, Abbe Caron made a sweeping denial of the declaration.

" weren't you cut up when Clarence Jillett told you to marry Blanche?" asked Madge.

"Yes, but I had my revenge," replied Maud. "I sent the bride a book to read on the honeymoon. Stevenson's 'Travels With a Donkey.'"

Kolster Set Beaches Out—Mr. A. J. Grepp, of 864 Swan Street, St. John, reports having received a volume of the "Kolster" magazine. The volume is called "The Kolster" and is a collection of the best of the "Kolster" magazine. It is a beautiful volume, and is a great treat for the eyes. It is a collection of the best of the "Kolster" magazine, and is a great treat for the eyes. It is a collection of the best of the "Kolster" magazine, and is a great treat for the eyes.

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## Hungarian Bank

BUDAPEST, Dec. 21.—The Hungarian National Bank today declared an eleven per cent dividend.

The Husband—The sight of an old schoolmate is—er—well, it might be called both meat and drink.

The Wife—Yes, that's what you men usually do in the circumstances.

The Husband—Eh?

The Wife—Meet and drink.

Mother—Why aren't you as polite and considerate and well-behaved as little Johnnie Jackson?

Small Son—Well, he was brought up in the same street where the other boys were all bigger than him.

Teacher: "Who can make a sentence with the word 'gruesome' in it?"

Little Willie: "I can. The man stopped shaving and gruesome whiskers."

## Painless Plates

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WOODSTOCK, Ont., Dec. 21.—Mrs. Sarah Pole, seventy-one, was found by police frozen to death in her home at Ingersoll today. Her neighbors had not seen her around for some days. Mrs. Pole had lived alone in the house for a number of years, a son, Kingsley, being in Windsor, and a daughter in the West. The coroner examined the body and decided that an inquest was unnecessary.

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# Society and Women's Affairs

## Personals, Parties Visitors

### Dinner Dance Held

At the dinner dance last evening at the Crystal Garden there were noticed among the guests Mr. and Mrs. John Grant, Captain and Mrs. Keenard, Mr. and Mrs. Millard, Mr. and Mrs. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Watson, Miss Andrews, Miss Thynne, Miss Audrey Tooley, Miss McLaughlin, Miss Ross, Miss M. Coates, Miss Jean Dunbar, Mrs. Wingate, Miss L. Kinloch, Miss Bolden, Miss G. Mathews, Miss M. Waters, Lieutenant-Commander Worth, and Messrs. Ashley, Thacker, Golby, Mitchell, G. E. Townsend, Cassels, Duncan, A. E. Egan, Collins, R. Mathews and K. McConnell. The tables looked particularly pretty with their Christmas flowers, evergreens and seasonal decorations being used throughout the ballroom.

**Passes Music Test**  
Mrs. Burdon-Murphy, principal of the Columbia School of Music, has

received word from the Associated Board of the Royal Academy and the Royal College of Music, London, England, that her pupil, Miss Olive Heale has passed the final musical test, and has been awarded the Licentiate of the Associated Board of the Royal College of Music, with teacher's certificate (L.A.B.).

### Move to New Home

Mrs. Cator, Mrs. Cudmore, Miss Innes Bodwell and little Miss Joan Cudmore have moved into their new home on Rockland Avenue, after spending several weeks at the Empress Hotel.

### At Strathcona Hotel

**Christmas Visitors**  
Mrs. Innes-Nord, of Vancouver, accompanied by her son-in-law and daughter, Flying Officer and Mrs. A. L. Morfee, of High River, Alta., will arrive in Victoria tomorrow to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Eastman, Beacon Street.

**Leave for Calgary**  
Mr. and Mrs. E. U. Reid left last night for Calgary, where they will spend Christmas with Mrs. Reid's

## Christmas Message Is Sent to Guides

THE following message has been received by Mrs. Alan McKill, Provincial Commissioner of Girl Guides: "The Canadian Commissioner and the Canadian Council of the Girl Guides' Association wish you and your guides, rangers, Guides and Brownies a very happy year of guiding."

**Christmas Visitors**  
Mrs. Smallpiece, Mrs. Reid will return to the Angela early in the new year and Mrs. Reid will leave for Toronto, where she will spend some months with her mother, Mrs. Sylvester.

### Leaving for Thetis Island

The Misses Jo and Helen Forbes, accompanied by their aunt, Miss Warren Jones, are leaving today to spend the Christmas season with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Forbes, on Thetis Island.

### Arriving From Ottawa

Hon. H. B. McGivern and Mrs. McGivern will arrive from Ottawa tomorrow to spend Christmas with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. McGivern, Cadboro Bay Road.

### Back for Holidays

Miss Gladys Garesche will return from the University of British Columbia tomorrow to spend Christmas with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Garesche.

### From Penticton

Mr. John Connell has arrived from Penticton to spend Christmas with his parents, Rev. Robert and Mrs. Connell, Chandlerin Street.

### From Maple Bay

Mrs. Bromilow and Master J. C. Bromilow will arrive today from Maple Bay on a short visit to relatives in Victoria.

### Returns to Penticton

Mrs. Midgley, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Moore, Chandlerin Street, left yesterday for her home in Penticton.

### Arrives From England

Miss Elinor Dunsinuir arrived yesterday from England to visit her mother, Mrs. James Dunsinuir, at Halcyon Park.

### From Vancouver

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Cameron, of Vancouver, are spending a few days in the city, guests at the Empress Hotel.

### Vancouver Visitors

Recent arrivals at the Empress include Mr. and Mrs. Francis Millard, of Vancouver.

### In Vancouver

Miss Sadie Boyles is spending Christmas with her parents in Vancouver.

### Holidaying in Vancouver

Miss Doris Taylor is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents in Vancouver.

### At Duncan

Miss Doris Roberts has left to spend Christmas with her parents at Duncan.

### Leaves for South

Mr. John R. Glegg left yesterday for San Francisco to spend a short holiday.

### Holiday at Eugene

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Wallace left yesterday for Eugene, Oregon, for a short holiday.

### In Route to Butte

Mrs. P. J. Clark is leaving today for Butte, Montana, to visit her son.

### Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Johnston

of Sonoma, are guests at the Strathcona Hotel.

### Qualicum Beach News

Dr. Campbell Davidson is the guest of General and Mrs. Money at the Empress Hotel.

### Mrs. P. Bagnal and Mrs. J. Parker

are spending Christmas with their parents at Langley, B.C.

### Owing to the recent high tide

which damaged the cottage occupied by Captain J. Hodgins, the captain has taken the bungalow on Mrs. Hall's estate, near the Welcome Arch.

### Colwood News Item

Mr. and Mrs. T. Bristow, of Swift Current, Sask., are spending the winter months in Colwood, and are occupying the house belonging to Mr. A. S. Burgess, Sooke Road.

### Violin and Piano Recital

The pupils of Miss Dorothy Francis will give a violin recital Friday evening, December 23, at 8 o'clock at the New Thought Temple, Pandora Avenue. Programme: Piano, Minuet (C. Mott), Peggy MacNeil; violin, The Magic Horse (R. O. Suter), John Ryan; piano, The Pixie's Ballet (A. Brown), Mollie Boorman; violin, Barcarolle (J. Offenbach), Albert Down; piano, Caprice (L. Ringuet), Monica Clibborn; violin, Loin du Bal (Gillet), John Hudson; piano, Oyeles' Dance (R. Krentzlin), Winnie Williams; violin, Iris (P. Renard), Teresa Parker; piano, Dancing Sprites (Bohm), Robert Townsend; violin, Angel's Serenade (G. Braga), Marion Bell; piano, Reverie, Walter Calvin; violin, Scarf Dance (Chaminade), Ronald Clegg; piano, Le Secret (Gauthier), Dorothy Bell; concerto, Largo (Bach), violins, D. Francis, A. Bucklin; piano, The Pixie's Ballet (A. Brown), Mollie Boorman; violin, Serenade (R. Drigo), Leslie McGuire; piano, Anitra's Dance (E. Grieg), Doreen McGregor; violin, Intermezzo (P. Mascagni), Catherine Clibborn; piano, Marche (Schubert), Patricia Cockell; violin, Concerto No. IV (1st movement), (Vieuxtemps), Adele Bucklin; piano, Polonaise (Chopin), Catherine Clibborn; piano, Marche (Schubert), violins, D. Francis, A. Bucklin, B. Sledge; piano, P. Cockell.

## Wins Fame Hunting African Big Game



MISS MARGARET COCKSHUTT, daughter of Colonel Harry Cockshutt, former Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, has recently won new laurels as a big game hunter in Africa.

### Shirley Personals

The sad news has been received by cause of the death, on December 21, of Mr. George Beadle, a prominent merchant of Southampton, England. Mr. Beadle was known to many here, having paid an extended visit to Shirley two years ago last Summer, accompanied by Mrs. Beadle and their son Percy, who was a student at the University of Toronto.

Mr. Beadle was sixty-eight years of age and had been in ill-health for about a year. He is survived by, besides his widow, two sons and two daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Cuttle have gone to Victoria for the winter.

Miss V. Aspray has gone to Vancouver to visit her sister, Miss E. Aspray.

### Otter Point Items

The Christmas tree entertainment will be held at the schoolhouse on Tuesday evening.

Mr. Thomas J. Robinson, who was away last Thursday at St. Joseph's Hospital, Victoria, in his thirty-fifth year, had resided here for thirty-five years. He is survived by three sons. His wife predeceased him about five years ago. The funeral will take place on Monday to Sooke.

### Christmas Tree at Chinese United Church

Tonight at 8 o'clock the annual Sunday school entertainment and Christmas tree will be held at the Chinese United Church, Fisgard Street. The public is invited.

### FIVE HUNDRED PARTY

The military five hundred held on Monday evening in the K. of C. Hall, under the convenship of Mr. F. Hunter, was enjoyed and well attended. The prize-winners were Mrs. McEellan, Mrs. J. Neary, Mr. D. K. Kinsinger and Mr. M. O'Connell, their prizes being turkeys.

At the second table, where the prizes were chickens, Mrs. G. Cox, Mrs. A. J. Webb, Mr. W. W. Baines, and Mr. Hartnell were the winners.

### LAKE HILL CARD PARTY

The Lake Hill Community Centre held a military five hundred party on Monday evening last, when sixteen tables enjoyed the game. The prize-winners were: First, Mr. Carter, Mr. Woods, Mr. Fraser and Mr. Campion; second, Mrs. Gray, Mrs. Service, Mr. Doyle and Mr. Little; consolation, Mr. Hater, Mrs. Holdcroft, Mr. Lingham and Mr. Knowlton; ten bid, Mr. Saunders and Mr. J. Simpson; tombola prizes, ticket 111, Miss Holdcroft; 84, Miss D. Lawe; 110, Mrs. Green, Sr. Owing to next Monday being a holiday, next week's game will be held on Tuesday, December 27, under the auspices of the Lake Hill Women's Institute. There will be poultry tombolas along with the usual prizes, and play will start at 8.30 o'clock.

### English Actor Dies

KINGSTON-ON-THEMES, Eng., Dec. 21.—Charles Courtenay Pouns, noted English singer and actor, who for many years was associated with Gilbert and Sullivan operas, died here today. He was sixty-five years old.

It is odd and sometimes melancholy to see a man trying "to make up his mind" when he has no material on hand to work with.

### Kitty McKay

By Nina Wilson Putnam

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## Is Guest Of Chapter At Club

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At the guest table with Mrs. McKicking and Mrs. Hebdon Gillespie were Mrs. Harold Grant, first vice-regent of the chapter, Mrs. Pleasant, Miss J. Cressie, Mrs. E. C. Hayward, Mrs. Aish and Mrs. P. Sinnott. Mrs. Clibborn convoked the tea and was assisted by Mrs. Wyle, Mrs. Christie and other members.

In presenting the Christmas gift of the chapter to Mrs. McKicking, Mrs. Cummings expressed the appreciation of all for the splendid spirit of enthusiasm with which the regent carries on her work.

Year after year, she assured her of the sincere love with which all regard her, of which the gift was a slight token.

Mrs. McKicking expressed her sincere thanks for the tribute of affection and for the continued support of the work of the chapter, in which she took the deepest interest.

Mrs. Hebdon Gillespie, in a charming little speech, referred to the many helpful acts performed for the order from its formation in Victoria ten years ago under the leadership of Mrs. McKicking, whose fine spirit has been a splendid example to all.

A report of Military Hospital work, carried on by the Lady Douglas Chapter ten years ago under the convenship of Mrs. J. D. Gordon, was an interesting contribution, bringing back to the memory of many old members the strenuous days of the war, and the helpful work done by the chapter to ameliorate the trying conditions and lighten the suffering hours of the invalid soldiers.

Mrs. Gordon referred to the unfailing help given by Mrs. Billingshurst and her committee, also the field comforts and the invalid soldiers, who were all of which had done splendid work.

With a hearty vote of thanks to Mrs. Gordon and a mutual exchange of good wishes for a happy Christmas, the pleasant function concluded.

## DICKENS CLUB OBSERVES SEASON

Novelist of Christmas Cheer Is Properly Remembered by Local Lovers of Dickens

The Victoria Dickens Club annual Christmas gathering, held at the home of the Misses Wyles, 138 Begbie Street, was a most unqualified success, and will be one of the red letter days of the society for a long time.

There was a splendid attendance and, promptly, at 8 o'clock, the assembled Dickensians greeted the president, Mr. C. C. Pennoerton, on his arrival, and the meeting was opened with the customary roll-call and quotations from the works of the great author. The large drawing-room was lighted solely by shimmering candles and a huge log fire and appropriate Yuletide decorations added to the early Victorian atmosphere a truly Dickensian scene.

After all present had answered the roll-call, with quotations, Miss Edith Wyles charmed her audience with a piano solo, after the manner of the period Dickensian, and a little later Mr. Pennoerton handed around a fine relic of the days of the early editions of Dickens' works, a signature of the famous illustrator, John Tenniel, who was given to Mr. Kitto's mother by the illustrious Cruikshank himself, and is a treasured heirloom. It was lent to the society for the evening by the son of the owner.

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## OLD AGE GOING OUT OF FASHION

Modern Dowagers Maintain Youthful Interest in Life's Activities

LONDON, Dec. 21.—Everyone talks about this age of youth, but facts prove that old-age and middle-age often have the best of the business, writes the Hon. Mrs. Fitzroy Stewart in The Daily Mail.

History tells of women who preserved their charms into the seventies, such as Ninon de Lençois, Madame Recamier and others; and even now there are well-known women who make no secret of their years. These include Queen Marie of Rumania, the Dowager Lady Warwick—who has written on the subject—and Lady de Bathe, better known as Mrs. Langtry.

Lady Warwick, when asked how she contrived to keep so young, replied: "











## Stove League Stuff

Year 1927 Hard on Careers of Diamond Aces — Will Rookies Soon Replace Cobb, Speaker and Johnson? — The Answer Is "Doubtful"

By GEORGE MORIARTY  
Manager of the Detroit Baseball Club  
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The year 1927 probably has ended the careers of more brilliant ball players than any other season since the advent of the major leagues. Ty Cobb, Tris Speaker and Walter Johnson, three of the greatest stars of all time, slipped out of the big picture following the last campaign. Of course this toll represents quality more than quantity. It is also notable that the American League alone suffers this tremendous loss.

The question arises: Will the rookie market be able to fill these gaps in the next few years? The answer quickly follows: It is doubtful. Baseball stars are uncovered now and then. They come singly, not in groups. Take Walter Johnson. He was generally classed as the speed king of pitchers. Only a few dispute that, and they are the loyal old timers. They would put Amos Rusie, Cy Young and Rube Waddell on a pedestal with Johnson in the matter of rifling a ball over the plate.

Hughie Jennings, who batted against Rusie thirty-five years ago, often said Johnson had more speed than Jennings. Jennings was "beaten" by one of Rusie's wild pitches, so he is an authority. While Jennings never batted against Johnson, he watched Walter. He often heard such great batters as Cobb and Crawford come back to the bench and say: "Can't hit 'em if you can't see 'em!"

I batted against Waddell and Young in the old days, but I never convinced that they could slip the "hard one" through the groove with as much powder as Walter had behind his shot. If some twenty-five or thirty years passed between Rusie's exit and Johnson's arrival, it is hardly reasonable to hope another Johnson will entertain us soon.

The quest for another Cobb seems even more hopeless. Of the vast army of ballplayers, he was nearest perfection. He had the speed, intelligence and daring essential to the execution of the spectacular. The only possible flaw was his tendency to be careless in the outfield. He did things at the plate and on the bases no other star could attempt.

In his prime, the veteran Max Carey could steal more bases than Cobb because Carey has mastered the trick of getting away faster from a standing lead. Yet Cobb was more intrepid on the bases. Carey excelled him in the "break" and the timing, but there the copy-parion ends. Carey was more "gentle" in his base running methods, while Cobb was the Coe-sack of the path, intimidating the infielders and constantly taking advantage of the upsets he created. Cobb out-smarted Carey in psychology and this gave him the opportunity of sensing plays ahead.

The Warner brothers are a great pair of youngsters, but either one is far from being "another Cobb" now. I saw them in the World series and they have great possibilities. At present they face the problem of improving their base running. The super-star must be sensational on the bases, in addition to his ability as a batter and a fielder.

**Sailor Herberts**  
Sold to Toronto  
Club for \$15,000

BOSTON, Dec. 21. — The Boston Bruins today announced the sale of "Sailor" Herberts, star centre ice man, to the Toronto Maple Leafs of the National Hockey League. The sale was reported to have been for \$15,000.

## UPLIFT TAKES HOLD ON "600"

Goodwill Campaign of Rickard's "600 Millionaires" Aims to Bolster Ring Game

TO INVITE ALL CHAMPS TO DINE

NEW YORK, Dec. 21. — Tex Rickard's more or less well-known "600 millionaires," or rather the guiding spirits among them, seem determined on a campaign of "good will" as an indirect method of bolstering the none too stable foundations of the prize ring.

By this means, perhaps, the wealthy members of the Madison Square Club hope to take the minds of boxing fandom off sundry events of the past season, which included a succession of unsatisfactory decisions, cries of "fair" or "foul" and reports of gambling coups that, to close ring observers, boded no good for the future of boxing, especially in New York.

TO FINANCE TRIP  
One of the latest manifestations of the "uplift" movement in the New Garden policy is the conspicuous support aroused by the "600 millionaires" for amateur boxing, especially in financing the trip of the Olympic fistic team to Amsterdam.

Emphasis is laid upon this to offset any impressions that the Garden shareholders are more interested in clipping coupons or counting game receipts than they are in the development and welfare of the manly art.

To further demonstrate this interest in the Simon-pure as well as the pro, the Garden Club will be hosts to Big Bill Tilden, Bobby Jones and Johnny Weissmuller, as well as to Gene Tunney and Babe Ruth in an "all champions" dinner, January 4.

OLD RIVALS AGAIN?  
The gossip at the cauliflower crossroads now is that Gene Tunney has his much-discussed brace

## Jury Dismisses the Charge Against Him

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ST. LOUIS, Dec. 21. — Rogers Hornsby, captain of the New York Giants and former manager of the St. Louis Cardinals, won late today in a suit brought against him by Frank L. Moore, Cincinnati betting commissioner, to collect \$36,230. A jury in the Circuit Court found in Hornsby's favor.

of battles next season, the first will be against his ancient rival, Jack Dempsey, and the other—providing he wins—against the survivor of the elimination tournament, if any.

The assumption apparently is that if Dempsey essays another comeback he will want to get it over with, but there is not much business logic in this. In two bouts last Summer, Dempsey made more than in any year when he was champion; his gross returns were nearly as much as Tunney collected in his \$1,000,000 bout. Another prelude to a third bout would mean just that much more financial return for Dempsey, but the old mauler may prefer to take it in a lump next year rather than risk a preliminary setback that would put him out of the picture.

CANADIAN OLYMPIC SKATING TEAM TO COMPETE IN U.S.A.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21. — Necessary written permission for members of the Canadian Olympic speed skating team to compete in the Middle Atlantic skating championships at Newburgh, N.Y., January 2, has been given, the Newburgh Skating Association announced last night.

TORONTO GRADS SHOW IMPRESSIVE FORM AT WINDSOR

WINDSOR, Dec. 21. — Canada's candidates for the Olympic hockey carnival, the Grads of Toronto, performed here tonight and convinced a thousand amateur hockey enthusiasts of their ability to look after the Dominion's laurels. They trounced the Windsor Chicks, local intermediates, by a score of 9-1.

ROSENBERG MUST SERVE SUSPENSION

NEW YORK, Dec. 21. — Charlie "Phil" Rosenberg, deposed bantamweight champion of the world, must serve out his year's banishment from the ring in the state, according to a ruling by the New York State Athletic Commission. Petitioning for reinstatement, Rosenberg was notified his appeal would not even be considered before February 15, 1928. Rosenberg was stripped of his crown last February 15 when he appeared overweight in a bout against Bushy Graham.

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## SCHAEFER WINS BILLIARD CROWN

Relieves Welker Cochran of 18.2 Balk Line Title by Score of 1,500 to 1,304 in 1,500-Point Match

EX-CHAMP MAKES STRONG FINISH

NEW YORK, Dec. 21. — Jake Schaefer, Chicago, tonight won the world's 18.2 balk line billiard crown, when he defeated the champion, Welker Cochran in a 1,500-point match, 1,500 to 1,304.

Although he won the title, Schaefer was outplayed by Cochran in the final block, the champion scoring 551 points, while the challenger ran out his final 300 to the title. Cochran staged a courageous uphill battle in the final block, showing a complete reversal of the poor form he had shown in the first blocks.

Schaefer stepped to the table for the last block, the champion clustered two strings of 97 and 128 in his first two innings. The challenger matched these two runs with clusters of 42 and 161 to hold his lead at the end of the second innings, 1,400 to 978.

COCHRAN MAKES HIGH RUN  
After three more innings had brought the score to 1,478 to 1,001 against him, Cochran brought the crowd to a high pitch of excitement with a beautiful cluster of 196, the best run of the match. Schaefer seemed to collapse under the strain and got only six in his next two innings.

Schaefer's victory marks the third time he has won the 18.2 balk line crown. He held the title in 1921 and again in 1925.

The inning scores for the last block:

Schaefer: 42 161 97 23 4 2 16—1000  
Cochran: 97 128 16 7 196 54 51 —851-1304

To Establish Training Camp Soon in Florida



GENE TUNNEY

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Dec. 21. — Gene Tunney shortly will institute a training camp again in Florida to put himself on "edge" for any necessary defence of his world's heavyweight boxing title. This was indicated by the champion's announcement on his arrival here yesterday from New York for a two weeks' vacation.

He paused to deny reports of his engagement recently, declaring that "when I decide to get married, the news writers will be among the first to know it."

Fell Into Hot Coffee

DRUMHELLER, Alta., Dec. 21. — Walter Robottom, aged five, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Robottom, died Wednesday morning from shock and burns received Monday night when he fell into a boiler of hot coffee at the Christmas festivities in the schoolhouse near Heiskell.

Scottish to Practice

Canadian Scottish senior rugbys will practice tonight at the Armories, Bay Street, at 8 o'clock. All players are asked to turn out and set in shape for Saturday's game with the Pirates.

The young wife was complaining to a friend, "My husband is so Puritanical. He doesn't go in for any pleasures, dancing, cards, the theatre." "Remember, my dear," said her confidant, "you took him for better or for worse." "That's just it," was the reply. "It would be so much better if he were worse."

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## TONIGHT'S BIG LEAGUE HOCKEY

New York Americans vs. Montreal Maroons, at Montreal.  
Montreal Canadiens vs. Ottawa, at Ottawa.  
Pittsburgh vs. Toronto, at Toronto.

Cruel Hoax

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 21. — The lives of the children of Dr. Herbert Mantz, whose stolen motor car was used by William Edward Hickman, alleged slayer of Marian Parker in Los Angeles, has been threatened by a man, purporting to be the Los Angeles slayer, it was revealed by police tonight.

The threat was made to Dr. Mantz about 3 p.m. yesterday in an untraced long distance telephone call. Dr. Mantz declared he believed it was a hoax.

## EUROPE READY TO LOWER TARIFFS

GENEVA, Dec. 21. — Tariff disarmament must come to the world, and is as imperative as reduction in material armaments. Daniel Serruys, French economic expert, said tonight in summarizing the work of the League of Nations Permanent Economic Committee, whose session has just been completed. He is president of the committee.

Remarking that the United States and the British Dominions have not yet signed the recent convention for the abolition of trade restrictions, M. Serruys said developments have shown that Europe is a unit, economically speaking, and is ready to lower its tariffs.

Alleged Confession

WATERVILLE, Wash., Dec. 21. — Allen Presley, sixty-five, of McCue, Wash., was murdered and robbed by a young man who wanted money to buy Christmas presents for his

girl sweetheart, officials announced today. James Woodin, seventeen, of Palsades, Wash., today confessed that he shot the old man down in his cabin at McCue and robbed him. Sheriff Arthur Boddy and County Prosecutor Frank Malloy declared. They imprisoned the lad here after his alleged confession.

The Bishop was rebuking one of his clergy for his fondness of riding to hounds. "My Lord," said the good man, "everyone must have some relaxation. I assure you I never visit gambling haunts." "Aha," said the Bishop severely. "I perceive you allude to my visit to Monte Carlo during my vacation. Let me tell you, sir, that although I inspected the celebrated Casino, I was never in the rooms in which the gambling takes place." "Quite so, my lord," said the sporting vicar, "and permit me to assure you that I am never in the same field with the pack."

Mrs. A. — Does your husband expect you to obey him?  
Mrs. B. — Oh, dear, no! John's been married before.

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GIANTS SELL OUTFIELDER  
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## GOULD RECEIVES THREE-YEAR TERM

Magistrate George Jay Sentences Robber to Penitentiary—Leniency Shown to Herbert Lyons

Three years in the penitentiary was the sentence imposed on Charles Gould, convicted of breaking and entering the premises of Charles E. James, 927 Green Street, and there committing theft, by Magistrate George Jay, in the city police court yesterday.

Evidence in the case had been given for the prosecution by four witnesses on Tuesday, but the accused declined to enter any defence. He stoutly maintained that he knew nothing about the charge, that he had no recollection of the house-breaking offence at all.

Gould has been out of jail for only six months, having been sentenced in May, 1925, in Vancouver, to two years in the penitentiary on a charge of stealing.

Herbert Lyons was given one year's suspended sentence by Magistrate Jay when his case was called. Lyons had pleaded guilty to stealing a quantity of gasoline, the property of D. C. Robertson, 3541 Saanich Road.

## Quebec Appointments

QUEBEC, Dec. 21.—Three vacancies in the Quebec Legislative Council, the Upper House of the Provincial Legislature, were filled today, it was announced by Premier Taschereau. The new members are: Louis Letourneau, member of the Legislative Assembly for Quebec East; Raoul Groulx, Montreal, and Hon. J. E. Caron, Minister of Agriculture in the Taschereau Government.



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## World-Famous Stories

CONNUBIAL BLISS

By LUDWIG FULDA

(Ludwig Fulda, born in 1862, is a German dramatist. The present sketch is adapted from his "In Private.")

Hermine decided to remind her husband, "Felix," she said, "it is time for you to put on your evening clothes."

"If I could find them," Felix responded, "I'd be glad to put them on. But considering the conditions here, I think they might as likely be in the cellar as anywhere else."

"You seem to be in a charming mood!" said Hermine.

"Ah, yes, the humor or mood of despair, my dear. But, by the way, since we have not seen each other all day, I thought we might spend the evening."

"We shall see plenty of each other before the evening is over," said Hermine pointedly.

"No doubt," Felix agreed, "in a crowd and from a distance. Perhaps a safe distance."

"Have you no idea what your duties are as a host?" Hermine demanded.

"Of course I have. But there are other duties just as important, and that is why I wanted to have a chat with you for a few minutes."

"Chat with me?" exclaimed Hermine. "There's no time for a chat now. I will have to wait till tomorrow."

"But tomorrow you are going to the races," protested Felix.

"Well, the day after tomorrow, then."

"The day after tomorrow morning, my dear, the performance for the benefit of the fire sufferers takes place. And in the afternoon there are the living pictures for the benefit of those who suffered from the flood. What is the picture called in which you are to pose?"

"Domesticity!" exclaimed Felix.

"Aha! That is what you could call a promising title. But you see, dear, there is no immediate prospect of a chance for that chat of ours. We have now been married four months, and we have had much more time for others than we have ever had for ourselves."

"Felix, I still have a hundred things to attend to," said Hermine irritably. "Please dress and be ready on time."

"No one will arrive for a half hour yet," said Felix. "And you know what with lightning speed I change my clothes."

"Very well, then," said Hermine, resignedly. "Hurry up and tell me what you have to say. Please be quick, I beg of you. If I don't listen to you now I shall never be rid of your pestering me."

"Hermine, dearest, can things go any better?"

"No, my dear, they cannot. I am like some silent character in a drama on the stage who never takes any part of the action. People regard me, I fancy, as the model of a silent husband—heaped without protest. Abused without a cackle. I should say—not a peep of any kind out of me. For, since you consider it a sign of ill breeding for me to sit next to you at dinners or to dance with you at balls—well, you see, just when do you think we're ever going to get to really know each other?"

Hermine snorted contemptuously. "Of course it's ill bred to sit beside you at dinners and dance with you when there are other men deserving of courtesy. Married people are together quite enough when they are at home. Therefore, in society, it is only right that they should give someone else a chance."

Felix stared uncomprehendingly. "Together enough at home? But, my dear child, when are we ever at home? Home is to us nothing but a geographical term—a sort of name or direction—a base of operations, in other words. Home is that from which we start out when on our society excursions and that to which we return when they are over. We have either just left home, or we are on our way back home. We are never there."

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"And when I get up—"

"Then I have office hours, darling."

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"When my office hours are over, dear, you have gone driving or are receiving company—the very best people, I grant you. They are all people of merit. At least, they all have the merit of being talkative on subjects of which they are entirely ignorant. Then, at dinner, my dear, we usually have some other guests, or we dine out."

"Didn't we have a delightful time the other evening at the home of the Chinese Ambassador?" broke in Hermine.

"I think the mind of the lady who sat next to me was also surrounded by some sort of Chinese wall. I made desperate efforts to entertain her, and all she would say was, 'How funny! Oh, yes, I had a most delightful time at the Chinese Ambassador's, my dear.'"

"Probably all your own fault," said Hermine. "I had a most interesting time."

"With von Walheim, I suppose."

"A most entertaining man."

"What did you talk about?"

"Of—let me see—I forget," said Hermine.

"True—one usually talks about nothing in society," said Felix.

"But then," said Hermine, "we have the afternoon to ourselves."

"In the afternoon you go shopping, or receive ladies at five o'clock teas. At night, finally—"

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"At night, finally," said Felix. "we usually do not come home until morning."

"Defective Valves Exploded Tanks"

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 21.—Three defective valves permitted sufficient gas to filter into the big North Side gas tank, which exploded on November 14, killing twenty-eight persons and causing more than \$5,000,000 property damage, to provide the proper ratio when mixed with air to make the gas explosive when it came in contact with torches of repair men welding the container.

Contractor Dies

WINNIPEG, Dec. 21.—James Henry Neil, well-known local contractor, is dead here, at the age of sixty-five. He came to Canada from Ireland in 1882, settling in this city, where he resided till the time of his death.



A GERMAN "THRUST HOME"

"In the Dawes mirror the German Michel sees what a jackass he is."

—Dorfbach, Berlin

on in this way much longer, do you think?"

"Well," said Felix, "just that you and I only get together at a distance, as you say. My married life seems to consist chiefly in taking you by balls and dances and escorting you home again after they are over. Or my duties take the form of sitting behind you in a box at the theatre, or in holding your binoculars at the races, or in guarding your fan and bouquet during the dance. Everywhere where you are courted and flattered by other men, by every man, in fact, except me, your husband—and I have to stand by and put on a vacant stare as though I was abstracted."

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Hardup—My wife explored my pockets last night.

Hardup—About the same as any other explorer—enough material for a lecture.

"But if Mrs. Binks is vulgar, you must admit she is generous."

"Well, yes—she's always giving herself away."

## Ambition

By J. H. Strabel



What chance has this pair of tiny socks in competition with those others? But fortunately Santa Claus seems to have a preference for little things, which is just as it should be.

## At The Playhouses

CAPITOL Adolphe Menjou is in a new Paramount picture, "A Gentleman of Paris," now showing at the Capitol Theatre.

However, men of affairs marry just like anyone else, and when Menjou's time for matrimony rolls around, all his "affairs," with the exception of one, are painlessly and gracefully terminated. On the stage at the Capitol Theatre this week, in addition to the big feature production, there are three acts of vaudeville, which include the Morenoffs, a spectacular dance team; Jack Oliver, a colored comedian, and Bena McLoud, a coloratura soprano, in song selections.

PLAYHOUSE Herman Raymaker, who directed "Simple Sis," starring Louise Fazenda and Clyde Cook, now showing at the Playhouse Theatre, repeatedly decided to have neither children nor animals in his pictures, but always ends by having both. Little Billy Kent Schaeffer and his pups are the exceptions in this case.

COLISEUM For this, their farewell THEATRE week, the Ray Bell Players are presenting "The Northernner," a wonderful two-act comedy drama that has kept the audience spellbound each night, and well it might, for "The Northernner" is undoubtedly the strongest piece of stage literature that has been written in many a long day. And the good, clean comedy dramatic situations that arise keep the audience highly entertained throughout the forty-five minutes of the play. As an added attraction this week, Mr. Alec Fraser, the well-known London and New York leading man, is presenting a comedy dramatic sketch, entitled "Divorce Not Wanted," ably supported by Doreen Davis, the popular Victoria actress.

Well-Known Artist to Appear in Play

MISS IONA ROBERTSON Who is appearing tomorrow night with the Co-Optimist Company at the Crystal Garden in "The Christmas Legacy."

"A Christmas Legacy" Will Be Presented At Crystal Garden

Tomorrow evening the Co-Optimist Comedy Company presents another humorous play from its extensive repertoire. The play chosen for this week is one of seasonal interest, and it is titled "A Christmas Legacy." It turns out to be, however, rather more of a bombshell than a legacy, for it is the request of one gentleman to another to accept his daughter for adoption. Furthermore, the latter is closely followed by the arrival of the daughter herself, on Christmas morning, and the resulting upset of a happy household leads to a riot of fun which the audience will enjoy from beginning to end.

The Crystal Garden Orchestra will also be heard in an appropriate programme of Christmas music, and the entire audience will then adjourn to the south ballroom, where dancing will continue until midnight.

Music and Lyrics Of "Beggars' Opera" Have Insistent Appeal

There are certain qualities of fascination about "The Beggars' Opera," coming to the Crystal Theatre on Friday, December 30, for two nights and a Saturday matinee, which no mere description can visualize fully. It is one of those productions in which the appeal to the eye and ear is perfectly synchronized, and its melodies would furnish material for a dozen motion picture comedies. The revival is as complete a work of art as the opera itself, as Frederick Austin revamped the old lyrics and dialogue, holding well on this side of prudery, the late Claude Lovat Fraser designed the costumes and scenery in keeping with the old air puppets, and the music, which is a masterpiece of the late Claude Lovat Fraser, designed the costumes and scenery in keeping with the old air puppets, and the music, which is a masterpiece of the late Claude Lovat Fraser, designed the costumes and scenery in keeping with the old air puppets.

Next week, commencing on Monday, Boxing Day, the management of the Capitol Theatre announced today, there will be a gorgeous Christmas pantomime, entitled, "The Old Lady Who Lived in a Shoe."

A wonderful cast of kiddie actors and the comical characters that are always found in fairy tales. The whole production is being staged with an exceedingly lavish style, and will have many wonderful scenes and also some very pretty lighting and stage effects. This pantomime will be offered twice daily on the stage, in addition to the big Christmas picture programme. This great pantomime, according to those who have seen it, will outlast anything ever attempted here before, both in scenic investiture and gorgeousness.

Playhouse Panto. Next Week Promises Hilarious Treat

The Playhouse pantomime to be staged next week promises to be one of the best ever produced in the city. Bright scenery of an elaborate nature, special lighting effects, and many changes of costume will contribute to make this year's effort an outstanding production. The story is humorously told in a "book" which the producer claims has abundant laughter. The humor, however, is wholesome, and the show will be found to be a keen delight to the hundreds of Victoria children who, no doubt, will be taken to see it. With the famous Langdon film, "Three's a Crowd," and other films on the bill, the entire show will extend over three hours, and will prove to be a feast of merriment for the holidays.

Big Pantomime at Coliseum Next Week Is "My Princess"

The great pantomime, "My Princess," in preparation at the Coliseum for its appearance next week, is coming along in wonderful style, and the producer, Mr. Fraser, is delighted at the progress that is being made. He predicts that the Coliseum will have a pantomime that has never, or possibly never will be, surpassed in the city of Victoria. Everything is a hustle and bustle back-stage, as stage carpenters and electricians rush about getting everything in readiness for the big pantomime, "My Princess."

OKANAGAN GROWER ON MARKETING ACT

VANCOUVER, Dec. 21.—The British Columbia Marketing Act has failed to obtain higher prices for apple and vegetable growers in the province, according to Isaac Cousin, a grower at Peachland. He arrived in Vancouver to co-operate with W. H. Hammond, of Ashcroft, in combating the authority of the Committee of Direction, generally known as the Control Board. He is emphatic in condemnation of the act. Asked if the authority of the Control Board had materially affected the returns he obtained for his produce this year, he said that it had neither benefited nor hindered him to any extent.

BRITISH MINISTER TO TOUR EMPIRE

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The Daily News understands that arrangements are being made for Lord Lovat, Under Secretary for Dominion Affairs, to embark next summer on a mission to Canada, New Zealand, Australia and South Africa, mainly with the object of infusing new life into the Empire's national activities.

Lord Lovat probably will assist in the detailed negotiations in each of the dominions which will follow the department's discussions on the exploratory inquiries about to be made by Lieut.-Colonel L. C. Amery, Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

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## "So This Is Marriage"

By JUDITH WEST

CHAPTER XI.

If I had deliberately contributed to Willie's delinquency Jim couldn't have been more hot up over her modeling.

Dinner that evening wasn't even a gesture. It was just one bitter, ugly charge after another.

What right had I butting in anyhow? None of my affairs.

His mother was perfectly capable of raising her own daughter. All nonsense about Willie's wildness. Just my imagination. Next thing I'd be making a shop girl out of the kid.

Of course, Jim had called up his mother and told her about her daughter's carryings on—that man Jim hadn't the slightest bit of diplomacy. And now my mother-in-law was furious with me!

But how had Jim got wind of the matter in the first place? Surely he hadn't attended the fashion show himself. Did one of Willie's chums spill the beans?

I had known that Vera wouldn't miss an affair of this kind, but, to tell the truth, I had hoped that she wouldn't recognize the youngster. She had met her only once, the night of the housewarming, some months before.

At that time Vera had been so

busy vamping my husband that I didn't think she paid much attention to Willie.

Finally, after I had told Jim everything from the very beginning—though I made no mention of the part that Martin Craig had played in it—I came right out and asked how he had heard about it.

"From Vera," he answered. He looked as innocent as a schoolboy. "She saw the kid herself in a one-piece bathing suit with a red sash. A fine thing for my sister."

"But where did you see Vera?"

"Just happened to meet her in the street."

"Just happened—of course!" Jim read the suspicion in my tone.

"What do you mean by that, Judy?"

I shrugged my shoulders and balanced my fork on my finger. "Oh, nothing. Only Vera is pretty busy in her office except between twelve and one and you take your lunch hour at eleven."

"Oh, you make me tired, Judy. As if I couldn't talk to a girl I've known as long as I have Vera without my wife getting jealous!"

"Jealous? Huh, any time! If I had wanted to get jealous of Vera I have had plenty of opportunities to do so. I suppose you had for-

## Saved From Death by Their Rubber Suits



THE three principal officers of the freighter Lampton are shown above, as photographed in the office of President A. E. Matthews, of the Matthews Steamship Company. From left to right, they are: Captain "Andy" Livingston, of Courtright, Ont.; Clarence Forbes, of Owen Sound, first mate, and J. F. Duncan, of St. Catharines, chief engineer. The captain told the president of the company that they owed their lives to the rubber suits, which kept them warm.

gotten that night down at Romano's when she leaned all over you with her cheek almost touching yours—while your simple devoted wife was out in the kitchen getting a recipe for your favorite beef stew."

"Aw..."

"To say nothing of the night of the housewarming when you and Vera went out in the car and stayed away for hours..."

"We weren't gone more than an hour."

"Well, that's long enough for Vera."

Jim couldn't deny anything, you see. He just sniffed scornfully as if Vera Roach meant nothing, just nothing at all, don't you know, in his young life.

But he couldn't conceal a certain cockiness that his wife was jealous of him. No doubt he was mentally patting himself on the back for being some Romeo!

"Moreover," I went on, adding fuel to his conceit, "you are always saying that Vera is such a clever dresser."

"Well, Judy, she is. You can't deny that. I've never seen her when she didn't look like a million dollars; any man likes to look at a well-dressed woman."

"That's right; go ahead and praise her!" I almost shrieked. "If I spent as much on my back as she does I'd look like a million dollars, too!"

Oh, Lord. Just one thing and then another...

It is hard to believe that I didn't know what it was to quarrel until after I married. Everybody used to remark on my amiable disposition. What is it that marriage does to one, anyhow?

The next day, Mother Jim called up. The good lady was so shocked that she simply spluttered over the phone so that I could understand only about half of what she said.

That was enough. What did I mean, encouraging her daughter to make a spectacle of herself? Had I no fineness? Had I no breeding?

Now there is one thing that nobody can question—your breeding. Whether you have it or whether you haven't, let anyone question it and right away the blood of battle is in your eye.

But I was in a difficult position. In the first place, Mother Jim is an older woman, my husband's mother, and I simply could not talk to her as I would to one of my own age.

Another thing: to tell her what a rampaging little one her little angel was getting to be would betray Willie's confidence.

However, I doubt if Mother Jim will ever let me enter her sacred portals again. She is firmly convinced that I have been doing my best to lead her daughter astray.

And Jim afraid she almost convinced Jim of the same thing, too.

Oh, well, I should worry! Meanwhile, I was worried about Willie. Had she really succeeded in capturing the "big fish"? Knowing Craig as I do I didn't think he would fall for the youngster; he has not yet reached the grateful age when any little girl will do.

Moreover, I argued, he was really afraid of her; he would much prefer an older woman who could be relied upon to be discreet in her indications.

And yet—and yet—a seventeen-year-old girl as attractive as Willie, in a one-piece bathing suit with a red rubber sash and a shellacked cietonne parasol is bound to make any man sit up and take notice.

Obviously, I couldn't call up Willie and it was two weeks before she came out to see me.

But what a different Willie! A very consciously poised Willie who walked like a Grecian lady with an urn on her head!

"How do you do, Judy?" she said as I ran out to meet her. Your garden is really very lovely, isn't it?"

This from Willie!

It was all I could do to keep from laughing at her superior, woman-of-the-world pose. But I remembered that I was seventeen once myself, so why spoil her fun.

The teen age is such an emotional, unhappy, misadventured time in a girl's life. The best and the only thing to do with a girl going through that whirlpool of conflicting impulses is to watch her tolerantly and pray to Heaven that the next pose won't be as bad as the last.

"That suit, Willie, is a knockout," I said, quite ignoring the fact that I was addressing a sophisticated newly-fledged. "Am I right in thinking that you wore it at the fashion show?"

"You are and you aren't," she answered with a bored lift to her eyebrows. "This is one of my own creations. However, I am indebted to that two-tone jersey for the fundamental compose idea."

Oh, my Gawd! Such languid! "You made it, Willie?"

"But of course."

It is hard, however, for seventeen to hold any unnatural pose for very long and presently, when I brought out a plate of baby creams and stuffed dates, she fell upon them with the old-time zest of Willie, the harum-scarum.

As she gobbled down the sweets, I examined her ensemble more closely.

On closer scrutiny I saw that it was undoubtedly the work of an amateur, so far as the actual sewing of the garment was concerned.

For example, the shoulder seams were crooked, the sleeve was biked up too high where it met the shoulder seam and the pleats in the skirt were undeniably uneven—all marks of the hasty, careless housewife.

Just the same, she had caught that elusive thing—chic—and the costume was, in a way, quite original in its treatment of the compose effect.

"Willie," I said suddenly, "I have a whopper idea and it concerns you."

"Shoot!" said Willie, with two baby creams in her mouth.

(To be continued.)

## VALUE OF FIELD CROPS ADVANCES

Dominion Bureau of Statistics Issues Bulletin Giving Comparative Figures

OTTAWA, Dec. 21.—The Dominion Bureau of Statistics issued today a bulletin giving, by provinces, a preliminary estimate of the value of the field crops of 1926, as compared with the finally estimated values for 1924 and 1925. The values per unit assigned to each crop represent average prices received by farmers at the point of production, and they have been determined by the Bureau after consultation with the provincial Departments of Agriculture. They are subject to revision after the compilation of final returns in January, 1927. It should be observed in connection with these estimates that the values attached to many of the crops, e.g., oats, mixed grains, potatoes, roots, etc., do not represent actual sales, but are rather the estimated value of products consumed chiefly on the farm.

For the whole of Canada the total value of the principal field crops of 1927, as now estimated, amounts to \$1,413,367,100 as compared with the final estimates of \$1,105,528,100 in 1926 and \$1,153,294,900 in 1925. The total for 1927 is composed of the following items, with final figures for 1926 within brackets: Wheat, \$452,602,000 (\$442,221,000); oats, \$231,295,000 (\$184,098,000); barley, \$63,668,600 (\$52,059,000); rye, \$12,668,500 (\$10,430,000); flaxseed, \$7,379,000 (\$9,688,000); other grains: peas, beans, buckwheat, mixed grains and corn for husking, \$47,752,000 (\$46,432,500); potatoes, \$56,279,000 (\$69,204,000); hay and clover and alfalfa, \$201,215,000 (\$198,652,000); root and fodder crops: turnips, etc., grain hay, fodder corn and sugar beets, \$68,908,000 (\$93,743,000).

The average price of wheat per bushel is seven cents less than last year, due to the larger crop and the poor quality of much of the grain. The wheat crop, as a whole, shows an increase of over \$10,000,000 in value. The oat production is larger than last year's poor crop, and the average price as reported is also three cents per bushel higher, resulting in an increase of \$47,000,000 in the total value of oats produced this year. Barley prices are considerably higher this year due to the smaller crop, with a resulting increase in the total value of the barley crop. Rye figures are higher, due to larger production this year coupled with a small increase in the price received by producers. Peas and mixed grains also show substantial increases over last year. Potatoes, with a unit value of \$1.17 in 1927, have decreased thirty cents per hundredweight from 1926, due to the unfavorable quality reported in many cases. The total crop of potatoes is also slightly less, so that the total value estimated this year is \$13,000,000 less than the final figures for 1926. The crop of hay and clover was a record one, however, and the estimate of the total value of this crop shows a gain of nearly \$6,000,000; the value of alfalfa is \$3,000,000 lower than in 1926. Fodder corn was a particularly poor crop in 1927, production was less and quality poor, with a resulting fall of \$6,500,000 in the value of the crop. Sugar beets show an increase in the average price received by producers, due to the small crop harvested.

For the three Prairie Provinces, the total values of the five principal grains are as follows, with last year's final figures in brackets: Wheat, \$419,969,000 (\$408,279,000); oats, \$127,118,000 (\$90,818,000); barley, \$47,492,000 (\$38,622,000); rye, \$10,210,000 (\$7,470,000); flaxseed, \$7,173,000 (\$9,438,000).

By provinces, the total values are, in order, as follows, the values for 1926 being placed within brackets: Saskatchewan, \$304,715,000 (\$300,210,000); Alberta, \$228,802,000 (\$202,448,000); Ontario, \$246,252,000 (\$261,264,000); Quebec, \$147,319,000 (\$139,263,000); Manitoba, \$83,795,000.

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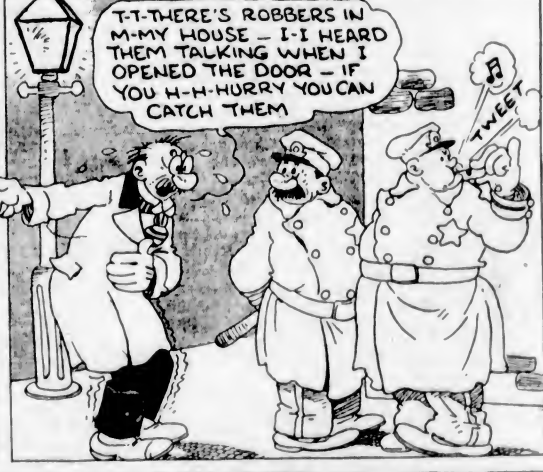
# COLONIST DAILY COMIC FEATURE



THE NEBBS

A Night of Thrills

By SOL HESS





## PRUNING METHODS MODIFIED OF LATE

Heavy Culling Not Regarded as Essential, According to Expert Orchardists

The opinions of apple growers as to the necessity and value of pruning have been modified to a considerable extent in recent years. While it is now generally recognized that pruning is much less necessary than was once believed to be the case, it is still looked upon as a necessary operation by most progressive orchardists. This country, particularly in shaping the trees. Tree pruning has received careful attention at the Experimental Station at Summerland, British Columbia. Working to discover a system of pruning satisfactory from the standpoint of economy of orchard operation as well as the yielding of high class fruit, the superintendent of the station has found it good practice to head back one-year-old whips to thirty inches at planting time. By winter these young plants have usually produced several vigorous shoots from which a leader and two scaffold branches may be selected.

In selecting the scaffold branches to be preserved care has to be taken to leave the trunk at a good wide angle. It is important that the lower branches be left not nearer than two feet from the ground. These scaffolds are tipped to preserve balance and to encourage branching, the leader being headed about six inches longer than the laterals. It is recommended that the scaffolds or laterals should be left at least eighteen inches long as more severe heading usually results in the formation of too many side branches close to the trunk, necessitating the removal of much wood later on. The pruning that should be done in later years is well explained in the report of the station for 1926, now ready for distribution at the Publications Branch of the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa. It deals also with the pruning of apricot, peach, pear and prune trees, as well as much other work relating to advanced orcharding.

## OVER-EATING BAD; HURTS INTELLECT

Head of Yale Science Department Advises Students to Exercise Care

TORONTO, Dec. 21.—The mysteries and marvels of diet which apparently controls all faculties from one's ability to think to one's fleetness of foot, were under discussion at the University of Toronto, recently, by Dr. Lafayette B. Mendel, bio-chemist and head of the Sheffield School of Science at Yale University. He spoke under the auspices of the Royal Canadian Institute on "Nutrition in Relation to Growth."

The quantity and quality of food absorbed affects not only our growth in size and shape, but influences a wide variety of other elements, including the complexity of organs, development of new tissues and organs, strength and endurance, and in the powers of reproduction. Dr. Mendel indicated his conclusions are based largely on the intensive study of white rats, whose anatomical structure closely resembles that of humans, but whose ability to grow thirty times as quickly as men fits them for experimentation. Close analogies between the results obtained by dieting rats and the rules governing men can be drawn, he said.

**COMPOSITION OF DIETS**  
Dr. Mendel is widely known for his researches into the scientific composition of diets and their effects on living organisms. He was one of the first to recognize the importance of vitamins, proteins and calories.

Researches, he said, children in private schools receiving every attention and the best of food, generally speaking were larger and better developed than others. The advances made in standards of living have resulted in children of every class displaying a greater tendency to vigorous growth and strength.

A suggestion that large men are often not blessed with great mental faculties because they eat too much, and a possible explanation of the prevalence of small, undernourished looking and not particularly handsome specimens among men of imagination and intellect, arose from Dr. Mendel's discussion. A special experiment, made to determine the effect of normal and sub-normal diets on his rats' ability to learn, showed that the underfed animals, though stunted and scrawny, displayed greater and keener intelligence than the well fed ones.

**CAUTION IS ENJOINED**  
"Students, ambitious of great achievement, might do well not to cater too generously for themselves at Hart House," he remarked lightly.

There are certain essential elements of diet without which the body will disintegrate or lose some of its functions, Dr. Mendel has found. And it is not enough to ensure the presence of only some of these essentials. One ten thousandth of a unit of Vitamin B is all that is necessary to keep the general structure of a body sound, but without it disintegration will ultimately ensue, it seems.

Another element, christened Vitamin E, is vital to preserve the power of reproduction. Only a small quantity is needed, but experiments with the rats showed that if it were withheld from the animal's diet the rat was quite unable to bring forth his kind, although to all intents and purposes he was a big, strong and extremely healthy rodent.

"We are daily learning to subdue the former widespread ignorance on this subject," Dr. Mendel declared in concluding his discussion of other elements to be considered in the study of bodily growth. These included ductless glands and amino acids which were characterized as the "building stones of essential diet structures." Slides showing specially dieted rats, both externally and internally, and explanatory charts, were used by Dr. Mendel to illustrate his address.

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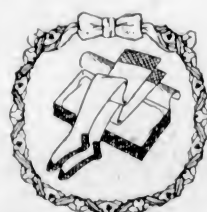
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—Bathrobe Dept., Main Floor

### GIFT CUSHIONS

In Many Novelty and Pretty Styles

Cretonne Cushions, 18 inches square, filled with best kapok. Each **\$1.35**

Cretonne Cushions, with dainty frill, plain or two-tone shades. **\$1.75**

Sateen Covered Cushions with metallic trimming, 18 x 18 inches. Each **\$1.75**

Large Cushions of Sunfast Cretonne, with plain colored shirred panels, **\$5.50**

Large Size Rayon Silk Damask Cushions, round or half-moon shape **\$7.50**

Boudoir Cushions, of quilted taffeta; shown in dainty styles, **\$4.00 to \$8.00**

—Draperies, 2nd Floor

### FINE TAPESTRY TABLE RUNNERS

Fine Metallic Table Runners, 17 x 54 inches. Each **\$10.50**

French Tapestry Table Runners, 16 x 48 inches. Each **\$3.75**

—Draperies, 2nd Floor

### MERCHANDISE SCRIP

Solves a Difficult Gift Problem

A Gift of Merchandise Scrip, redeemable at any of our stores, may be purchased at the Exchange Desk. This exchange sent to your friends allows them to buy the gift they most desire.

—Main Floor

### Marcella Bedspreads

For Christmas Gifts

For those who appreciate a Real Snow-White Satin Marcella Quilt, we have 18 only, just received direct from the mills. They vary in sizes from 78 x 97 to 80 x 106 inches and are especially priced at **\$8.95, \$10.95 and \$12.75**

—Bedroom Dept., Main Floor

### GIFT TOWELS

Jacquard Bordered Towels with fancy colored ends **50c to \$1.50**

Dainty Towel Set with Wash Cloths to match. In gift box **85c to \$3.95**

Plain White Turkish Towels in fancy boxes. Up from **\$1.00**

Fancy Bath Mats in various colors and plain white; made in England. At **\$1.75, \$2.25 and \$2.75**

—Bathrobe Dept., Main Floor

### SPECIAL TODAY TURKEY DINNER

11:30 Till 2 P.M. and 5:30 Till 7:30 P.M.

**50c**

—Dining Room, 3rd Floor



### VOGUE SHOES

A Christmas Gift of Worth

Vogue Shoes show a beauty of design that makes them exceptionally desirable.

Of Patent or Black Satin

Plain Pumps or Straps, in several patterns. Correct fit is assured by our trained shoe fitters—from a complete stock of sizes and widths—AAA to C. At a pair **\$10.00**

If size is not known shoes may be exchanged later.

—Shoes, 1st Floor

### GIFT LINENS

Bleached and Unbleached Damask Cloths. Priced from **\$1.15 to \$4.75**

Embroidered Runners, Squares and Cushion Covers **\$1.00 to \$2.75**

Lace Trimmed Bureau Scarves, white and ecru, 18 x 45 inches. Each **75c to 85c**

—Bathrobe Dept., Main Floor

### Christmas Stockings

Full of surprises for the kiddies. Several sizes, at **5c, 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00**

—Bargain Highway, Candy Section, Lower Main Floor

## For Your Christmas Candies

Visit Our "Dorothy Lee" Chocolate Shop

Downstairs From the Main Douglas Street Entrance  
Chocolates de luxe, made in our own factory, from pure Jersey cream and other high test ingredients. The finest in the land; none better.

"Dorothy Lee" 1-lb. Boxes, **\$1.25**

"Dorothy Lee" Chocolates, various flavors and hard centres: strawberry, maple, lemon and orange creams, nougatines, maraschino cherries, almond chips, chocolate dates, chocolate pecans, walnut butter, ginger chocolates, etc.

All at 80c Per Pound

### VERY FINE ENGLISH CHOCOLATES

"King George" and "Prince of Wales" mixtures, packed in fancy Christmas boxes, various sizes, at popular prices.

"Pascall" Christmas Novelties for trees and gifts.

—Dorothy Lee Chocolate Shop

## DAVID SPENCER LIMITED

Store Hours: 9 A.M. to 6 P.M.; Wednesday, 1 P.M.; Saturday, 6 P.M.



### FOR A MAN'S GIFT—A SMOKING JACKET OR DRESSING GOWN

Smoking Jackets of beacon cloth and pure wool materials, shown in plain shades patterned with designs. The edge and cuffs are trimmed with cord, the collars roll effect. Each **\$10.00**

Gowns of fine wool fabrics in many patterns and colorings, with shawl collars, fancy cuffs and silk cord edge. Each Dressing Gown finished with silk cord girdle. **\$10.00** and **\$18.50**

—Men's Clothing, Main Floor

### GIFT SCARVES FOR MEN

Fine Silk Scarves in black, white or fancy stripes. Your choice for

**\$2.00 to \$3.75**

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

### GLOVES FOR A MAN

Tan Kid and Mocha Gloves, lined. A pair **\$2.00**

Tan Kid Gloves, lined; Perrin's brand. A pair, **\$2.50** and **\$3.50**

Men's Tan or Grey Suede Gloves. Priced from, a pair **\$3.00**

Gauntlet Gloves of black leather, lined or unlined. A pair, **\$2.50** to **\$5.25**

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

### Men's Tie and Handkerchief Sets

These Are Direct From the Scotch Mills

Sets including tie and handkerchief of pure silk. Many to select from. A set, **\$2.00** to **\$3.50**

Men's Silk Pocket Handkerchiefs, made in Scotland; fancy shades and white. **75c** to **\$2.00**

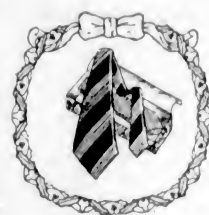
Scotch Made Silk Ties in several shades **\$1.25**

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

### TIES FOR MEN

Great Assortment

A wonderful selection of the newest styles and colorings in Men's Ties. Plain colors, stripes and novelty designs; bows and four-in-hand. Every tie in a presentation box. **50c** to **\$3.00**



### Inexpensive, Useful Gifts for Men

In Our Bargain Highway Section

Fancy Lumberjack Sweaters with polo collar, knitted wrist and waistband. Sizes 36 to 42. Each **\$2.50**

Men's Rayon Scarves in assorted colors, with fringed ends. Each **50c**

Men's Bow Ties with Handkerchief to match; the latest designs. A set **50c**

Men's Pongee Silk Handkerchiefs with fancy border. Each **25c**

Men's Umbrellas with good grade cotton cover, strong metal frame and neat varnished handle. Each, **\$1.00**

Men's Fine Socks of mercerized list, rayon and art silks; in fancy patterns. Sizes 9 1/2, 11 and 11 1/2. 4 pairs **\$1.00**

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

### Men's White Cotton Nightshirts

Each **\$1.25**

Heavy White Cotton Nightshirts with V neck and pockets. Sizes 15 to 12 neck. Each **\$1.25**

—Lower Main Floor

### BOYS' GIFT SWEATERS

Pure Wool Jerseys, with polo collar. Sizes 22 to 32. Many patterns to select from. **\$1.95**

Boys' Pull Over Sweaters in fancy "jazz" patterns, of good grade wool. Sizes 26 to 36. Each **\$3.95**

Boys' Wool Lumberjacks with shawl collar. Sizes 26 to 36 **\$5.00**

—Boys' Store, Lower Main Floor

### BOYS' DRESSING GOWNS

Dressing Gowns of good weight materials, in several attractive and good colors. For 2 to 18 years. Priced according to size, **\$2.75, \$4.00 and \$4.50**

—Boys' Store, Lower Main Floor

### CHILDREN'S SEWING SETS

For Gifts. Special, 85c

Sewing Sets, comprising stamped goods, thread, hoops and needles. A gift that will afford much pleasure to a little girl. Each **85c**

—Art Needlework, 1st Floor